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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

OVERVIEW

Some 95 per cent of the civilian population aged 15 and over are represented by the data in this publication (Table 1). For information about the recording of relationship and family type in the Labour Force Survey, see the Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 7 and 8. Of the 13,572,600 persons aged 15 years and over who were usual residents of private dwellings in Australia in June 1996 and for whom family status could be determined, 83 per cent were members of families (Tables 1 and 2).

These persons were members of 4,834,000 families and some 84 per cent of families were *couple families* – of which 48 per cent had dependants present (Chart 1).

85 per cent of the 672,000 *one parent families* had a female parent (Table 3).

There were 82,500 *other families*, amounting to 1.7 per cent of all families.

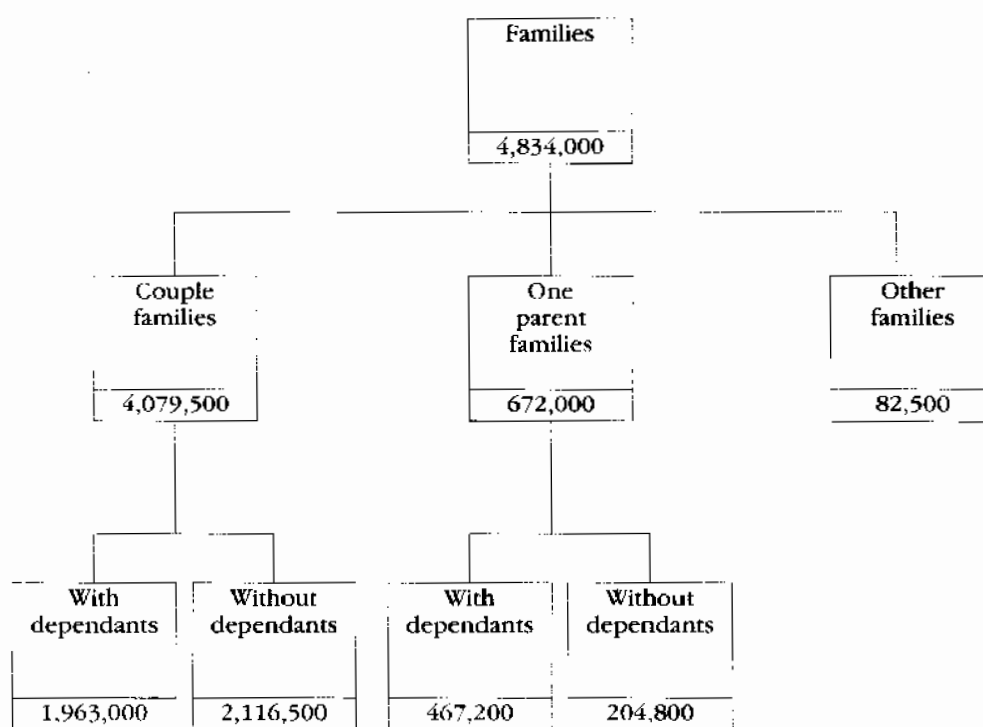
An estimated 23 per cent of *all families* had no family member employed; 28 per cent had one family member employed; 49 per cent had two or more family members employed (Table 3).

Of the 2,350,500 persons who were not members of a family, 62 per cent lived alone (Chart 8).

COUPLE FAMILIES

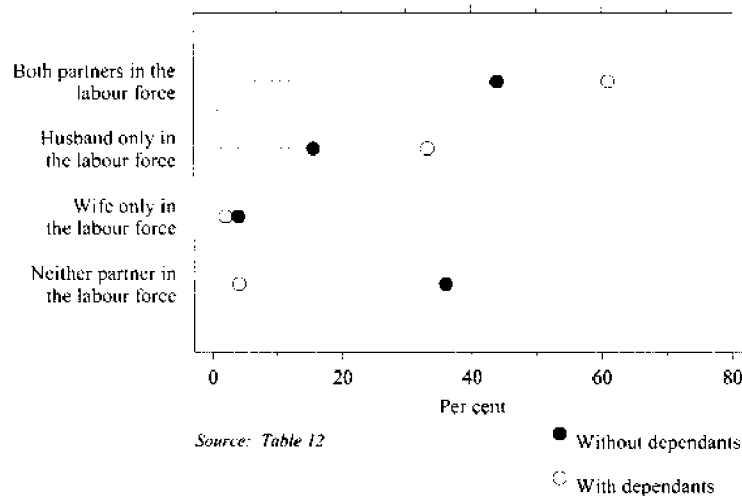
In June 1996, 52 per cent of *couple families* had both partners in the labour force and 27 per cent had only one partner in the labour force. For 48 per cent of *couple families* both partners were employed. For 21 per cent of *couple families* neither partner was in the labour force (Table 12).

CHART 1: AUSTRALIAN FAMILIES, JUNE 1996



Source: Table 3

CHART 2: COUPLE FAMILIES: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE, JUNE 1996



COUPLE FAMILIES WITH DEPENDANTS PRESENT

For couple families with dependants present, 61 per cent had both partners in the labour force and 35 per cent had one partner only in the labour force. In 94 per cent of this second group, the partner in the labour force was the husband.

One or both partners were employed in 91 per cent of all couple families with dependants present (Table 12).

The husband was employed full time in 84 per cent of couple families with dependants present. In comparison, the wife was employed full time in only 25 per cent of these families (Table 12). Where the wife was employed full time, the percentage increased as the age of the youngest dependant present increased (Chart 4).

There were 79,400 couple families with dependants where the husband was unemployed and the wife was either unemployed or not in the labour force (Table 12). In 36 per cent of these families, the husband had been unemployed for 52 weeks or more (Table 17).

CHART 3: EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF PARTNER IN COUPLE FAMILIES, JUNE 1996

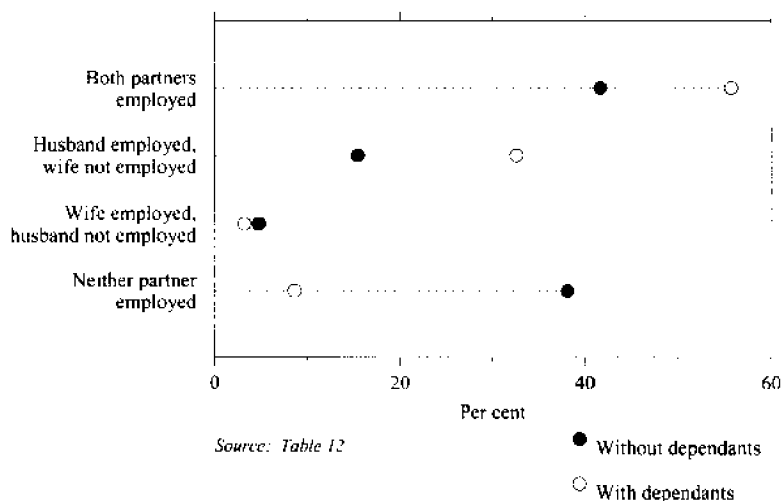
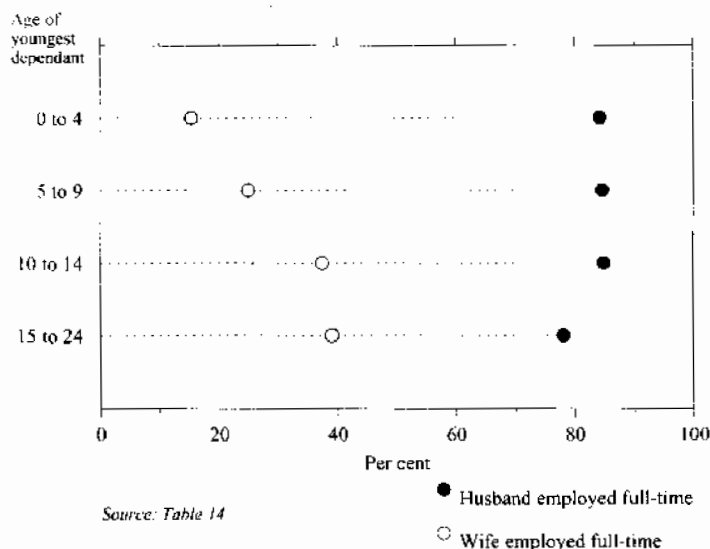


CHART 4: COUPLE FAMILIES WITH DEPENDANTS: FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT OF PARENTS, JUNE 1996



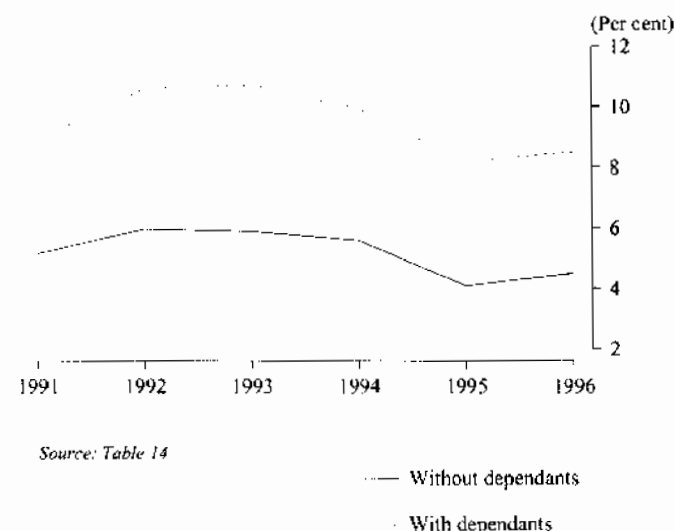
The proportion of couple families with dependants with one or both parents unemployed peaked at 10.7 per cent in 1993 before declining to 8.3 per cent in 1995, then increasing to 8.5 per cent in June 1996 (Chart 5).

COUPLE FAMILIES WITHOUT DEPENDANTS PRESENT

Forty four per cent of couple families without dependants present had both partners in the labour force (Chart 2). A further 20 per cent had only one partner in the labour force, with that partner being the husband in 79 per cent of cases (Table 12).

One or both partners were employed in 62 per cent of families without dependants present. The husband was employed full time in 52 per cent of families without dependants present, and the wife was employed full time in 30 per cent of these families (Table 12). The proportion of these families where both partners were unemployed rose from 4.1 per cent in June 1995 to 4.5 per cent in June 1996 (Chart 5).

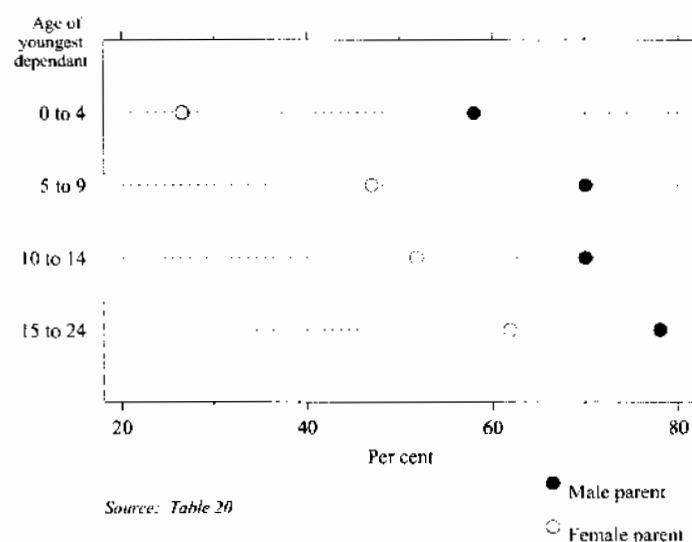
CHART 5: COUPLE FAMILIES: PROPORTION WITH ONE OR BOTH PARTNERS UNEMPLOYED



ONE PARENT FAMILIES

In June 1996, there were 672,000 *one parent families*, making up 14 per cent of all families. For 85 per cent of these families the parent was female. Some 467,200 one parent families had one or more dependants of which 406,600 (87 per cent) had a female parent (Chart 1).

CHART 6: ONE PARENT FAMILIES WITH THE PARENT EMPLOYED, JUNE 1996



In 47 per cent of *one parent families* with dependants, the parent was employed. Some 22 per cent of female parents with dependants were employed full time and 21 per cent were employed part time. Of male parents with dependants 62 per cent were employed full time and 8 per cent were employed part time. The percentage of *one parent families* with the parent employed increased as the age of youngest dependant increased (Chart 6).

For 50 per cent of *one parent families*, the parent was not in the labour force. Of these families 38 per cent had no dependants present.

In 7 per cent (48,200) of *one parent families*, the parent was unemployed. Of these families:

- 16,500 (34 per cent) parents had been unemployed for 52 weeks or more; and
- the average duration of unemployment of the parent was 53.9 weeks (Table 24).

The proportion of *one parent families* with dependants where the parent was unemployed was 8.7 per cent in June 1996, a fall of 0.1 percentage points since June 1995, and still below the 9.5 per cent peak of 1993 (Chart 7).

CHART 7: ONE PARENT FAMILIES: PROPORTION WITH DEPENDANTS AND THE PARENT UNEMPLOYED

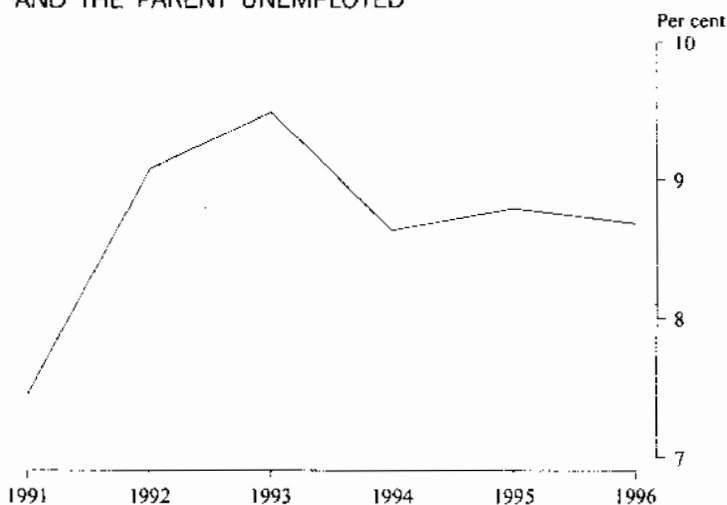
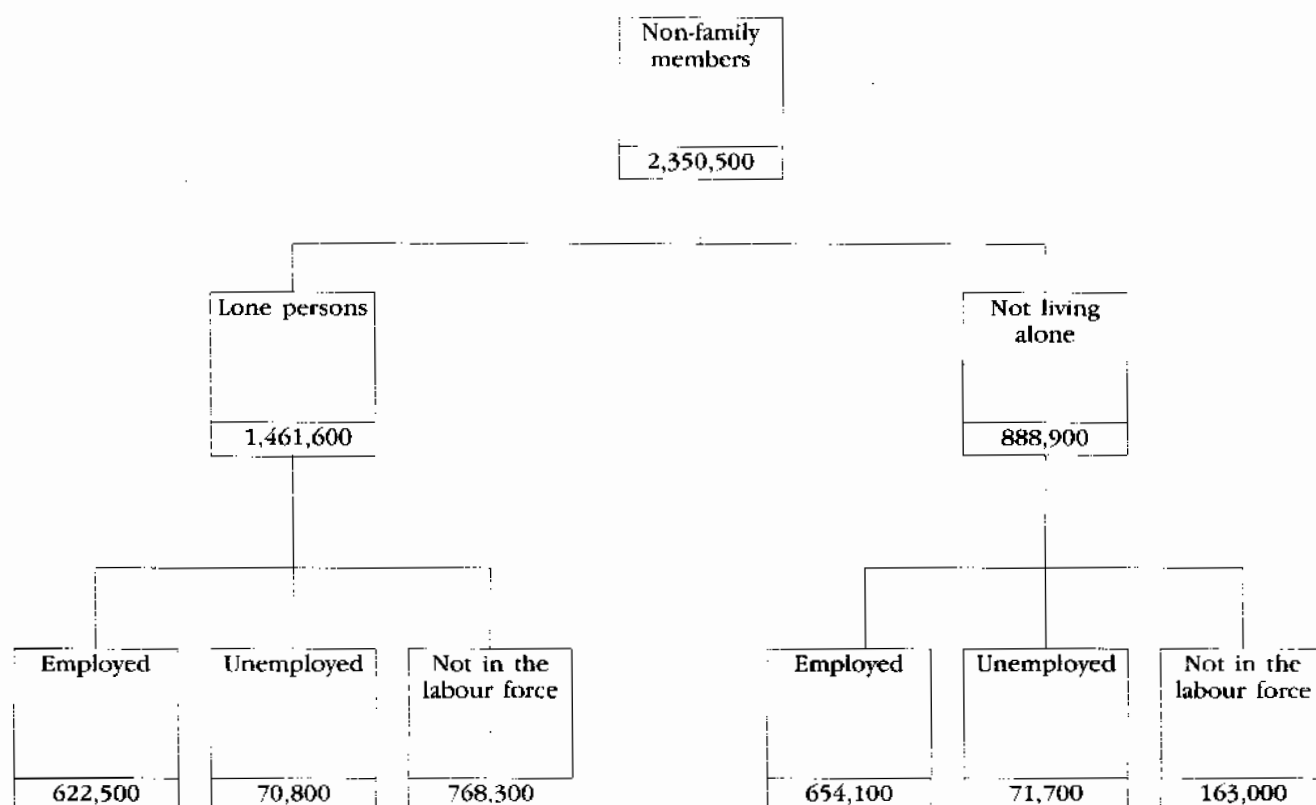


CHART 8: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS
WHO WERE NOT MEMBERS OF A FAMILY, JUNE 1996



Source: Table 1

In June 1996, an estimated 386,200 dependent children aged 0 to 14 years were in *one parent families* where the parent was either unemployed or not in the labour force (Table 7).

PERSONS WHO WERE NOT MEMBERS OF A FAMILY

Lone persons comprised 11 per cent of the population where relationship was determined (Table 1). Selected characteristics of these persons in June 1996:

- Some 55 per cent were females, 52 per cent of whom were aged 65 years and over. Of the males living alone 39 per cent were aged 25 to 44 years, and 24 per cent were aged 65 years and over (Table 26);
- An estimated 43 per cent were employed. Some 55 per cent of males living alone were employed and of females living alone, 32 per cent were employed (Table 25).

Selected characteristics of persons who were not members of a family and were *not living alone* in June 1996:

- Some 57 per cent were males, of whom 69 per cent were aged between 20 and 34 years. Similarly, 65 per cent of women were aged 20 to 34 years (Table 26);
- An estimated 74 per cent were employed, with the proportion being slightly lower for females than for males. The vast majority of both employed males (87 per cent) and employed females (74 per cent) were working full time (Table 25).

TABLE 1. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER,
JUNE 1995 AND JUNE 1996
(^{'000})

	<i>Employed</i>		<i>Unemployed</i>		<i>Not in the labour force</i>		<i>Civilian population aged 15 and over</i>	
	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>
MALES								
Family member	3,804.2	3,860.9	322.4	317.2	1,356.7	1,383.9	5,483.3	5,562.0
Husband	2,954.4	2,987.3	171.0	171.7	952.6	971.4	4,078.0	4,130.4
With dependants	1,770.8	1,769.7	110.4	107.9	123.6	126.0	2,004.7	2,003.5
Without dependants	1,183.6	1,217.6	60.6	63.8	829.0	845.4	2,073.2	2,126.8
Lone parent	59.5	63.1	8.2	6.7	31.8	31.4	99.6	101.2
With dependants	38.0	43.1	6.1	4.2	12.1	13.9	56.2	61.2
Without dependants	21.5	20.0	* 2.1	* 2.5	19.8	17.5	43.4	40.0
Dependent student(a)	125.9	139.8	29.2	28.6	254.7	256.2	409.8	424.5
Non-dependent child(b)	586.4	586.8	96.5	92.9	70.0	73.5	752.9	753.2
Other family person	78.0	84.0	17.5	17.3	47.5	51.5	143.0	152.7
Non-family member	724.6	741.1	92.0	93.7	293.4	329.5	1,110.0	1,164.3
Lone person	360.5	362.5	46.4	48.7	220.8	243.3	627.7	654.5
Not living alone	364.0	378.6	45.7	45.0	72.6	86.3	482.4	509.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,528.8</i>	<i>4,602.0</i>	<i>414.4</i>	<i>410.9</i>	<i>1,650.1</i>	<i>1,713.4</i>	<i>6,593.3</i>	<i>6,726.3</i>
Usual resident of a household where relationship was not determined	82.4	73.7	11.9	9.8	25.4	28.5	119.7	112.0
Total usual residents of private dwellings	4,611.3	4,675.7	426.3	420.7	1,675.4	1,741.9	6,713.0	6,838.3
Visitors to private dwellings	21.5	21.3	6.1	6.7	20.8	20.1	48.4	48.0
Persons enumerated in non-private dwellings	53.1	54.7	4.8	4.8	134.8	115.3	192.8	174.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,685.8</i>	<i>4,751.6</i>	<i>437.3</i>	<i>432.1</i>	<i>1,831.1</i>	<i>1,877.4</i>	<i>6,954.2</i>	<i>7,061.1</i>
FEMALES								
Family member	2,960.3	2,939.4	225.9	236.1	2,429.2	2,484.7	5,615.3	5,660.2
Wife	2,142.1	2,115.3	108.0	119.4	1,767.3	1,810.1	4,017.5	4,044.8
With dependants	1,192.9	1,147.6	74.8	74.5	697.7	728.3	1,965.4	1,950.3
Without dependants	949.2	967.8	33.3	44.9	1,069.6	1,081.8	2,052.1	2,094.4
Lone parent	225.2	224.9	42.4	41.6	293.8	300.6	561.4	567.2
With dependants	178.4	176.2	34.7	36.7	192.7	194.3	405.7	407.3
Without dependants	46.8	48.7	7.8	4.9	101.1	106.3	155.7	160.0
Dependent student(a)	186.5	181.4	29.9	29.0	221.0	218.4	437.3	428.9
Non-dependent child(b)	354.6	363.7	37.0	38.1	41.3	49.8	433.0	451.6
Other family person	51.8	54.0	8.5	8.0	105.7	105.7	166.1	167.7
Non-family member	488.3	535.6	49.4	48.8	591.6	601.8	1,129.4	1,186.1
Lone person	235.6	260.0	20.7	22.1	524.0	525.0	780.3	807.1
Not living alone	252.7	275.5	28.7	26.8	67.6	76.7	349.0	379.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,448.6</i>	<i>3,475.0</i>	<i>275.3</i>	<i>284.9</i>	<i>3,020.8</i>	<i>3,086.4</i>	<i>6,744.7</i>	<i>6,846.3</i>
Usual resident of a household where relationship was not determined	89.2	79.6	6.6	8.0	54.0	51.3	149.8	139.0
Total usual residents of private dwellings	3,537.9	3,554.6	281.8	293.0	3,074.8	3,137.8	6,894.5	6,985.3
Visitors to private dwellings	16.1	14.9	* 1.0	3.5	37.3	31.6	54.4	50.0
Persons enumerated in non-private dwellings	33.9	33.0	4.7	* 2.0	182.9	211.2	221.4	246.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,587.8</i>	<i>3,602.4</i>	<i>287.5</i>	<i>298.4</i>	<i>3,295.0</i>	<i>3,380.5</i>	<i>7,170.3</i>	<i>7,281.4</i>
PERSONS								
Family member	6,764.5	6,800.3	548.2	553.3	3,785.8	3,868.5	11,098.6	11,222.2
Husband or wife	5,096.6	5,102.6	279.0	291.1	2,719.8	2,781.5	8,095.4	8,175.1
With dependants	2,963.7	2,917.2	185.1	182.4	821.3	854.3	3,970.1	3,953.9
Without dependants	2,132.8	2,185.4	93.9	108.7	1,898.6	1,927.2	4,125.3	4,221.3
Lone parent	284.7	288.0	50.7	48.4	325.7	332.0	661.0	668.4
With dependants	216.3	219.3	40.8	41.0	204.8	208.2	461.9	468.4
Without dependants	68.4	68.7	9.9	7.4	120.9	123.8	199.1	200.0
Dependent student(a)	312.4	321.2	59.1	57.6	475.7	474.6	847.1	853.4
Non-dependent child(b)	941.0	950.5	133.5	131.0	111.3	123.3	1,185.9	1,204.8
Other family person	129.8	138.0	26.0	25.3	153.3	157.1	309.1	320.4
Non-family member	1,212.9	1,276.6	141.4	142.5	885.1	931.3	2,239.4	2,350.5
Lone person	596.2	622.5	67.1	70.8	744.8	768.3	1,408.0	1,461.6
Not living alone	616.7	654.1	74.3	71.7	140.3	163.0	831.4	888.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,977.4</i>	<i>8,076.9</i>	<i>689.7</i>	<i>695.8</i>	<i>4,670.9</i>	<i>4,799.8</i>	<i>13,338.0</i>	<i>13,572.6</i>
Usual resident of a household where relationship was not determined	171.7	153.3	18.5	17.8	79.4	79.9	269.5	251.0
Total usual residents of private dwellings	8,149.1	8,230.2	708.2	713.6	4,750.3	4,879.7	13,607.5	13,823.6
Visitors to private dwellings	37.6	36.2	7.2	10.1	58.1	51.7	102.8	98.0
Persons enumerated in non-private dwellings	86.9	87.7	9.5	6.8	317.7	326.5	414.2	421.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>8,273.6</i>	<i>8,354.1</i>	<i>724.8</i>	<i>730.5</i>	<i>5,126.0</i>	<i>5,257.9</i>	<i>14,124.5</i>	<i>14,342.5</i>

(a) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. Also excludes sons or daughters aged 15-24 who are classified as husbands, wives or lone parents. (b) Aged 15 and over.

**TABLE 2. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER(a),
JUNE 1995 AND JUNE 1996
(per cent)**

	<i>Employed</i>		<i>Unemployed</i>		<i>Not in the labour force</i>		<i>Civilian population aged 15 and over</i>	
	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>
MALES								
Family member	84.0	83.9	77.8	77.2	82.2	80.8	83.2	82.7
Husband	65.2	64.9	41.3	41.8	57.7	56.7	61.8	61.4
With dependants	39.1	38.5	26.6	26.3	7.5	7.4	30.4	29.8
Without dependants	26.1	26.5	14.6	15.5	50.2	49.3	31.4	31.6
Lone parent	1.3	1.4	2.0	1.6	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.5
With dependants	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9
Without dependants	0.5	0.4	* 0.5	* 0.6	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.6
Dependent student(b)	2.8	3.0	7.0	7.0	15.4	14.9	6.2	6.3
Non-dependent child(c)	12.9	12.8	23.3	22.6	4.2	4.3	11.4	11.2
Other family person	1.7	1.8	4.2	4.2	2.9	3.0	2.2	2.3
Non-family member	16.0	16.1	22.2	22.8	17.8	19.2	16.8	17.3
Lone person	8.0	7.9	11.2	11.9	13.4	14.2	9.5	9.7
Not living alone	8.0	8.2	11.0	10.9	4.4	5.0	7.3	7.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
FEMALES								
Family member	85.8	84.6	82.1	82.9	80.4	80.5	83.3	82.7
Wife	62.1	60.9	39.2	41.9	58.5	58.6	59.6	59.1
With dependants	34.6	33.0	27.2	26.1	23.1	23.6	29.1	28.5
Without dependants	27.5	27.8	12.1	15.8	35.4	35.0	30.4	30.6
Lone parent	6.5	6.5	15.4	14.6	9.7	9.7	8.3	8.3
With dependants	5.2	5.1	12.6	12.9	6.4	6.3	6.0	5.9
Without dependants	1.4	1.4	2.8	1.7	3.3	3.4	2.3	2.3
Dependent student(b)	5.4	5.2	10.9	10.2	7.3	7.1	6.5	6.3
Non-dependent child(c)	10.3	10.5	13.4	13.4	1.4	1.6	6.4	6.6
Other family person	1.5	1.6	3.1	2.8	3.5	3.4	2.5	2.4
Non-family member	14.2	15.4	17.9	17.1	19.6	19.5	16.7	17.3
Lone person	6.8	7.5	7.5	7.7	17.3	17.0	11.6	11.8
Not living alone	7.3	7.9	10.4	9.4	2.2	2.5	5.2	5.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
PERSONS								
Family member	84.8	84.2	79.5	79.5	81.1	80.6	83.2	82.7
Husband or wife	63.9	63.2	40.5	41.8	58.2	57.9	60.7	60.2
With dependants	37.2	36.1	26.8	26.2	17.6	17.8	29.8	29.1
Without dependants	26.7	27.1	13.6	15.6	40.6	40.2	30.9	31.1
Lone parent	3.6	3.6	7.3	7.0	7.0	6.9	5.0	4.9
With dependants	2.7	2.7	5.9	5.9	4.4	4.3	3.5	3.5
Without dependants	0.9	0.9	1.4	1.1	2.6	2.6	1.5	1.5
Dependent student(b)	3.9	4.0	8.6	8.3	10.2	9.9	6.4	6.3
Non-dependent child(c)	11.8	11.8	19.4	18.8	2.4	2.6	8.9	8.9
Other family person	1.6	1.7	3.8	3.6	3.3	3.3	2.3	2.4
Non-family member	15.2	15.8	20.5	20.5	18.9	19.4	16.8	17.3
Lone person	7.5	7.7	9.7	10.2	15.9	16.0	10.6	10.8
Not living alone	7.7	8.1	10.8	10.3	3.0	3.4	6.2	6.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Civilians who were residents of households where family status was determined. For further details see paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. Also excludes sons or daughters aged 15-24 who are classified as husbands, wives or lone parents. (c) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 3. ALL FAMILIES: FAMILY TYPE, NUMBER OF DEPENDANTS, AND NUMBER OF FAMILY MEMBERS EMPLOYED,
JUNE 1995 AND JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

Number of dependants	None employed		One employed		Two or more employed		Total	
	June 1995	June 1996	June 1995	June 1996	June 1995	June 1996	June 1995	June 1996
COUPLE FAMILY								
None	709.7	707.4	369.9	413.0	989.3	996.0	2,068.9	2,116.5
One or more	147.5	137.1	596.4	628.6	1,238.6	1,197.3	1,982.5	1,963.0
One	54.3	45.4	183.0	177.9	436.5	410.6	673.8	633.9
Two	48.9	48.0	242.5	271.3	524.2	512.0	815.6	831.4
Three	25.2	24.4	117.0	126.4	210.0	218.8	352.2	369.6
Four or more	19.0	19.4	53.9	53.0	67.9	55.8	140.9	128.2
Total	857.2	844.5	966.3	1,041.7	2,228.0	2,193.3	4,051.4	4,079.5
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A MALE PARENT								
None	7.2	8.6	16.6	15.4	20.2	16.9	44.0	40.8
One	9.3	10.6	17.0	24.8	6.8	6.0	33.1	41.4
Two	5.1	3.7	9.5	9.1	* 3.4	* 1.5	17.9	14.2
Three or more	* 1.8	* 1.5	* 2.3	* 2.4	* 1.3	* 1.0	5.5	5.0
Total	23.4	24.4	45.4	51.7	31.7	25.4	100.5	101.4
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A FEMALE PARENT								
None	38.1	40.4	70.5	74.1	49.6	49.5	158.2	163.9
One	91.2	91.2	92.4	83.3	24.6	26.8	208.2	201.3
Two	69.7	69.4	53.6	56.7	10.8	14.6	134.1	140.7
Three	30.6	29.2	16.0	13.0	3.9	3.5	50.5	45.8
Four or more	11.7	13.1	* 2.2	5.0	* 0.6	* 0.7	14.5	18.8
Total	241.3	243.3	234.8	232.1	89.4	95.1	565.5	570.6
ONE PARENT FAMILY: TOTAL								
None	45.3	49.0	87.1	89.5	69.8	66.3	202.2	204.8
One	100.5	101.8	109.5	108.1	31.4	32.9	241.3	242.7
Two	74.8	73.1	63.1	65.7	14.1	16.1	152.0	155.0
Three	32.4	30.4	18.1	14.6	4.5	4.2	55.0	49.2
Four or more	11.7	13.5	* 2.5	5.8	* 1.4	* 1.0	15.6	20.3
Total	264.7	267.7	280.2	283.8	121.1	120.5	666.0	672.0
OTHER FAMILY								
None	22.9	22.8	18.5	24.6	32.1	35.1	73.6	82.5
Total	22.9	22.8	18.5	24.6	32.1	35.1	73.6	82.5
TOTAL								
None	777.9	779.2	475.5	527.1	1,091.3	1,097.4	2,344.7	2,403.7
One or more	366.9	355.9	789.5	823.0	1,290.0	1,251.5	2,446.3	2,430.3
One	154.8	147.2	292.5	286.0	467.9	443.5	915.1	876.6
Two	123.7	121.1	305.5	337.1	538.3	528.1	967.5	986.3
Three	57.7	54.7	135.1	141.1	214.5	223.1	407.2	418.8
Four or more	30.7	32.9	56.4	58.8	69.3	56.8	156.4	148.5
Total	1,144.8	1,135.0	1,265.0	1,350.1	2,381.2	2,348.9	4,791.0	4,834.0

TABLE 4. ALL FAMILIES: FAMILY TYPE, NUMBER AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS(a) OF FAMILY MEMBERS, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

Number of family members of any age	None employed			One employed			Two or more employed			Total		
	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total
COUPLE FAMILY												
Two	629.0	36.5	665.5	274.6	38.1	312.7	671.9	..	671.9	1,575.5	74.6	1,650.1
Three	43.9	34.0	77.8	215.5	32.9	248.5	457.7	21.4	479.1	717.0	88.3	805.4
Four	24.3	30.2	54.4	249.6	41.1	290.7	607.2	38.0	645.2	881.1	109.2	990.3
Five	7.8	16.9	24.7	111.6	19.4	131.0	277.5	23.0	300.4	396.9	59.3	456.1
Six or more	6.6	15.5	22.0	49.0	9.8	58.8	82.6	14.1	96.7	138.1	39.4	177.6
Total	711.5	133.0	844.5	900.3	141.4	1,041.7	2,096.9	96.5	2,193.3	3,708.6	370.9	4,079.5
Average family size	2.2	3.6	2.4	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.4	4.4	3.4	3.1	3.8	3.2
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A MALE PARENT												
Two	11.4	6.1	17.5	30.1	5.3	35.4	15.4	..	15.4	57.0	11.4	68.4
Three or more	4.9	* 2.0	6.9	14.9	* 1.4	16.3	8.3	* 1.6	9.9	28.1	5.0	33.1
Total	16.3	8.1	24.4	45.0	6.7	51.7	23.8	* 1.6	25.4	85.1	16.4	101.4
Average family size	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.5	3.4	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.4
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A FEMALE PARENT												
Two	91.0	28.1	119.1	124.4	12.7	137.1	36.1	..	36.1	251.4	40.8	292.2
Three	60.6	13.9	74.5	58.5	8.7	67.2	35.2	* 3.1	38.2	154.2	25.7	179.9
Four	27.7	6.7	34.4	15.7	4.1	19.9	14.5	* 2.2	16.6	57.9	13.1	71.0
Five or more	13.3	* 2.0	15.3	5.9	* 2.0	7.9	* 3.2	* 1.0	4.2	22.4	5.0	27.4
Total	192.5	50.8	243.3	204.5	27.6	232.1	88.9	6.3	95.1	485.9	84.7	570.6
Average family size	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.6	2.8	3.8	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.7
ONE PARENT FAMILY: TOTAL												
Two	102.4	34.2	136.6	154.5	18.0	172.5	51.5	..	51.5	308.4	52.2	360.6
Three	64.3	15.0	79.3	71.0	9.9	80.8	40.7	4.3	45.0	175.9	29.2	205.2
Four	28.5	7.3	35.9	17.3	4.4	21.7	16.1	* 2.2	18.3	62.0	13.9	75.9
Five or more	13.7	* 2.3	16.0	6.7	* 2.0	8.7	4.3	* 1.3	5.6	24.7	5.6	30.3
Total	208.9	58.9	267.7	249.5	34.3	283.8	112.6	7.8	120.5	571.0	101.0	672.0
Average family size	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.8	3.7	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7
OTHER FAMILY												
Two	16.9	3.9	20.8	16.6	6.8	23.3	31.4	..	31.4	64.9	10.6	75.5
Three or more	* 1.5	* 0.6	* 2.0	* 1.0	* 0.3	* 1.3	* 3.4	* 0.3	3.7	5.9	* 1.1	7.0
Total	18.4	4.4	22.8	17.6	7.0	24.6	34.8	* 0.3	35.1	70.8	11.7	82.5
Average family size	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
TOTAL												
Two	748.3	74.6	822.9	445.7	62.9	508.5	754.8	..	754.8	1,948.8	137.4	2,086.2
Three	109.6	49.6	159.2	287.3	43.1	330.4	501.2	26.0	527.2	898.0	118.7	1,016.7
Four	52.8	37.5	90.3	267.1	45.5	312.6	624.0	40.2	664.2	943.9	123.2	1,067.1
Five	17.3	18.6	35.9	117.2	21.4	138.6	280.7	23.9	304.6	415.2	64.0	479.1
Six or more	10.7	16.1	26.8	50.2	9.8	60.0	83.6	14.5	98.1	144.5	40.4	184.9
Total	938.7	196.3	1,135.0	1,167.4	182.7	1,350.1	2,244.3	104.6	2,348.9	4,350.4	483.6	4,834.0
Average family size	2.3	3.3	2.5	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	4.3	3.4	3.1	3.5	3.1

(a) Labour force status refers to persons aged 15 and over only.

TABLE 5. ALL FAMILIES: NUMBER AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS(a) OF FAMILY MEMBERS, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

Number of family members of any age	None employed			One employed			Two or more employed			Total		
	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total	None unemployed	One or more unemployed	Total
FAMILIES WITH ALL MEMBERS IN THE LABOUR FORCE												
Two	..	31.0	31.0	67.9	62.9	130.7	754.8	..	754.8	822.7	93.9	916.6
Three	..	12.6	12.6	41.2	24.5	65.8	373.0	26.0	399.0	414.2	63.1	477.3
Four	..	7.4	7.4	8.4	26.1	34.5	448.2	25.7	473.9	456.6	59.3	515.8
Five	..	* 1.0	* 1.0	* 3.0	13.0	16.0	178.9	13.4	192.3	181.9	27.4	209.3
Six or more	..	* 0.7	* 0.7	* 0.0	3.8	3.8	43.4	6.6	50.0	43.4	11.0	54.5
Total	..	52.7	52.7	120.5	130.3	250.8	1,798.3	71.7	1,870.0	1,918.8	254.7	2,173.5
Average family size	..	2.6	2.6	2.6	3.0	2.8	3.1	4.1	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.1
FAMILIES WITH ONE MEMBER NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE												
Two	63.4	43.5	106.9	377.8	..	377.8	..	..	..	441.2	43.5	484.7
Three	48.1	21.0	69.1	145.3	18.6	163.9	128.2	..	128.2	321.6	39.6	361.2
Four	21.9	22.6	44.4	214.3	11.6	225.9	131.9	14.4	146.3	368.0	48.6	416.6
Five	6.8	14.4	21.2	96.9	5.6	102.5	75.4	8.7	84.1	179.1	28.7	207.8
Six or more	* 2.6	10.8	13.4	38.1	* 3.4	41.5	24.5	4.7	29.2	65.2	18.9	84.1
Total	142.7	112.4	255.1	872.4	39.1	911.5	360.0	27.8	387.8	1,375.1	179.3	1,554.4
Average family size	2.9	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.9	3.2	4.0	4.7	4.1	3.4	3.7	3.4
FAMILIES WITH TWO OR MORE MEMBERS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE												
Two	684.9	..	684.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	684.9	..	684.9
Three	61.5	16.0	77.4	100.7	..	100.7	..	..	..	162.2	16.0	178.2
Four	31.0	7.5	38.5	44.4	7.8	52.2	44.0	..	44.0	119.4	15.3	134.7
Five	10.6	* 3.2	13.7	17.3	* 2.8	20.1	26.4	* 1.8	28.2	54.2	7.8	62.0
Six or more	8.1	4.6	12.7	12.0	* 2.6	14.7	15.7	* 3.2	19.0	35.8	10.5	46.3
Total	796.0	31.3	827.3	174.5	13.3	187.7	86.1	5.1	91.1	1,056.5	49.6	1,106.1
Average family size	2.2	4.0	2.3	3.7	4.7	3.8	4.7	6.4	4.8	2.7	4.4	2.8
TOTAL												
Two	748.3	74.6	822.9	445.7	62.9	508.5	754.8	..	754.8	1,948.8	137.4	2,086.2
Three	109.6	49.6	159.2	287.3	43.1	330.4	501.2	26.0	527.2	898.0	118.7	1,016.7
Four	52.8	37.5	90.3	267.1	45.5	312.6	624.0	40.2	664.2	943.9	123.2	1,067.1
Five	17.3	18.6	35.9	117.2	21.4	138.6	280.7	23.9	304.6	415.2	64.0	479.1
Six or more	10.7	16.1	26.8	50.2	9.8	60.0	83.6	14.5	98.1	144.5	40.4	184.9
Total	938.7	196.3	1,135.0	1,167.4	182.7	1,350.1	2,244.3	104.6	2,348.9	4,350.4	483.6	4,834.0
Average family size	2.3	3.3	2.5	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	4.3	3.4	3.1	3.5	3.1

(a) Labour force status refers to persons aged 15 and over only.

TABLE 6. ALL FAMILIES: FAMILY TYPE, NUMBER AND AGE OF DEPENDANTS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

	<i>No dependent students</i>				<i>Some dependent students</i>				<i>Total</i>
	<i>Number of children under 15 years</i>				<i>Number of children under 15 years</i>				
	<i>None</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Two or more</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Two or more</i>	<i>Total</i>	
Couple family	2,116.5	453.9	950.8	3,521.2	255.0	189.2	114.1	558.3	4,079.5
One or both spouses unemployed(a)	95.3	39.7	87.2	222.3	18.7	11.6	9.5	39.8	262.1
Husband employed, wife unemployed	26.7	13.2	27.7	67.5	5.5	4.8	* 2.8	13.1	80.6
Husband unemployed, wife employed	19.8	5.9	11.6	37.2	4.2	* 2.6	* 2.7	9.4	46.6
Husband unemployed, wife unemployed	13.3	4.3	6.0	23.6	* 2.0	* 1.6	* 0.7	4.3	27.9
Husband unemployed, wife not in the labour force	30.3	15.3	38.6	84.2	5.6	* 2.2	* 3.1	10.9	95.1
Neither spouse unemployed	2,021.1	414.2	863.6	3,298.9	236.4	177.7	104.5	518.6	3,817.5
Husband employed, wife employed	881.5	245.6	482.2	1,609.3	162.8	130.3	72.0	365.2	1,974.5
Husband employed, wife not in the labour force	301.8	138.6	341.7	782.0	41.3	39.5	25.7	106.4	888.5
Husband not in the labour force, wife employed	81.1	9.8	13.4	104.4	8.4	* 2.8	* 1.0	12.2	116.6
Husband not in the labour force, wife not in the labour force	756.8	20.1	26.3	803.2	23.8	5.0	5.9	34.7	837.9
One parent family	204.8	176.1	157.7	538.6	83.3	33.9	16.3	133.4	672.0
Parent unemployed	7.6	19.2	11.3	38.1	7.0	* 1.8	* 1.3	10.1	48.2
Male parent unemployed	* 2.6	* 2.3	* 0.3	5.2	* 1.1	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 1.5	6.7
Female parent unemployed	5.1	16.9	11.0	32.9	5.9	* 1.4	* 1.3	8.6	41.5
Parent not unemployed	197.1	157.0	146.4	500.5	76.2	32.1	15.0	123.3	623.8
Male parent employed	20.4	16.5	8.4	45.4	14.3	* 2.6	* 0.8	17.7	63.1
Female parent employed	49.8	63.6	48.9	162.4	40.2	17.6	5.6	63.5	225.8
Male parent not in the labour force	17.9	6.7	* 3.4	28.0	* 2.9	* 0.6	* 0.3	3.7	31.7
Female parent not in the labour force	109.1	70.1	85.6	264.8	18.8	11.2	8.4	38.4	303.2
Other family	82.5	..	..	82.5	..	..	..	..	82.5
Family head unemployed	5.4	..	..	5.4	..	..	..	..	5.4
Family head not unemployed	77.1	..	..	77.1	..	..	..	..	77.1
Family head employed	44.7	..	..	44.7	..	..	..	..	44.7
Family head not in the labour force	32.4	..	..	32.4	..	..	..	..	32.4
Total	2,403.7	630.0	1,108.5	4,142.2	338.3	223.1	130.4	691.8	4,834.0

(a) Includes a small number of families with husband not in the labour force and wife unemployed.

TABLE 7. DEPENDANTS: FAMILY TYPE, TOTAL NUMBER AND AGE OF DEPENDANTS, AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD, JUNE 1996
(*000 dependants)

	<i>Children under 15 years</i>				<i>Dependent students</i>	<i>Total all dependants</i>
	<i>0-4 years</i>	<i>5-9 years</i>	<i>10-14 years</i>	<i>Total</i>		
Couple family	1,131.5	1,081.4	1,042.9	3,255.5	701.3	3,956.8
One or both spouses unemployed(a)	114.1	108.7	87.8	310.5	50.8	361.3
Husband employed, wife unemployed	28.7	36.4	28.0	93.0	15.8	108.8
Husband unemployed, wife employed	13.4	15.2	16.0	44.6	10.9	55.5
Husband unemployed, wife unemployed	5.9	7.9	8.4	22.2	5.3	27.5
Husband unemployed, wife not in the labour force	63.6	44.9	32.5	141.1	15.6	156.7
Neither spouse unemployed	1,017.4	972.7	955.2	2,945.0	650.4	3,595.5
Husband employed, wife employed	458.5	568.4	652.0	1,678.9	458.5	2,137.4
Husband employed, wife not in the labour force	510.5	354.1	245.3	1,109.6	134.2	1,243.8
Husband not in the labour force, wife employed	12.8	14.6	19.8	47.3	14.9	62.2
Husband not in the labour force, wife not in the labour force	35.6	35.5	38.1	109.3	42.8	152.1
One parent family	188.9	209.5	233.4	631.8	157.2	789.0
Parent unemployed	16.7	16.9	16.6	50.3	13.1	63.3
Male parent unemployed	* 1.3	* 1.1	* 1.2	3.6	* 1.8	5.4
Female parent unemployed	15.4	15.8	15.4	46.7	11.3	57.9
Parent not unemployed	172.2	192.6	216.7	581.5	144.2	725.7
Male parent employed	5.4	12.4	22.9	40.8	21.0	61.8
Female parent employed	42.4	72.1	90.3	204.8	74.1	278.9
Male parent not in the labour force	* 3.4	* 3.3	9.1	15.8	4.0	19.9
Female parent not in the labour force	121.0	104.7	94.4	320.1	45.1	365.2
Total	1,320.4	1,290.9	1,276.3	3,887.3	858.5	4,745.8

(a) Includes a small number of families with husband not in the labour force and wife unemployed.

TABLE 8. ALL FAMILIES: FAMILY TYPE, NUMBER OF CHILDREN AGED UNDER 5 YEARS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

	Number of children aged 0-4			Total
	None	One	Two or more	
Couple family	3,233.4	587.7	258.4	4,079.5
One or both spouses unemployed(a)	180.6	53.1	28.3	262.1
Husband employed, wife unemployed	58.6	15.7	6.3	80.6
Husband unemployed, wife employed	36.7	6.4	3.5	46.6
Husband unemployed, wife unemployed	23.0	4.0	* 0.9	27.9
Husband unemployed, wife not in the labour force	52.4	25.6	17.2	95.1
Neither spouse unemployed	3,052.8	534.6	230.1	3,817.5
Husband employed, wife employed	1,605.5	286.3	82.6	1,974.5
Husband employed, wife not in the labour force	529.3	222.3	136.9	888.5
Husband not in the labour force, wife employed	106.5	7.4	* 2.7	116.6
Husband not in the labour force, wife not in the labour force	811.5	18.6	7.8	837.9
One parent family	519.2	122.1	30.6	672.0
Parent unemployed	34.5	11.2	* 2.6	48.2
Male parent unemployed	6.0	* 0.4	* 0.3	6.7
Female parent unemployed	28.5	10.8	* 2.3	41.5
Parent not unemployed	484.8	110.9	28.1	623.8
Male parent employed	57.9	4.8	* 0.3	63.1
Female parent employed	187.5	34.7	3.6	225.8
Male parent not in the labour force	28.7	* 2.5	* 0.5	31.7
Female parent not in the labour force	210.6	68.9	23.7	303.2
Other family	82.5	..	..	82.5
Family head unemployed	5.4	..	..	5.4
Family head not unemployed	77.1	..	..	77.1
Family head employed	44.7	..	..	44.7
Family head not in the labour force	32.4	..	..	32.4
Total	3,835.2	709.8	289.1	4,834.0

(a) Includes a small number of families with husband not in the labour force and wife unemployed.

TABLE 9. ALL FAMILIES: FAMILY TYPE, NUMBER OF CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 9 YEARS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

	Number of children aged 5-9			Total
	None	One	Two or more	
Couple family	3,273.6	556.9	249.0	4,079.5
One or both spouses unemployed(a)	184.6	49.9	27.6	262.1
Husband employed, wife unemployed	54.9	16.2	9.4	80.6
Husband unemployed, wife employed	35.2	7.6	3.8	46.6
Husband unemployed, wife unemployed	21.6	4.6	* 1.6	27.9
Husband unemployed, wife not in the labour force	63.9	19.7	11.5	95.1
Neither spouse unemployed	3,089.0	507.0	221.4	3,817.5
Husband employed, wife employed	1,545.6	300.2	128.7	1,974.5
Husband employed, wife not in the labour force	627.0	179.2	82.3	888.5
Husband not in the labour force, wife employed	105.7	7.0	3.8	116.6
Husband not in the labour force, wife not in the labour force	810.7	20.5	6.7	837.9
One parent family	506.7	125.2	40.1	672.0
Parent unemployed	34.4	10.9	* 2.9	48.2
Male parent unemployed	5.6	* 1.1	* 0.0	6.7
Female parent unemployed	28.8	9.8	* 2.9	41.5
Parent not unemployed	472.3	114.3	37.2	623.8
Male parent employed	54.0	6.2	* 2.9	63.1
Female parent employed	166.2	47.5	12.2	225.8
Male parent not in the labour force	29.0	* 2.2	* 0.4	31.7
Female parent not in the labour force	223.2	58.4	21.6	303.2
Other family	82.5	..	..	82.5
Family head unemployed	5.4	..	..	5.4
Family head not unemployed	77.1	..	..	77.1
Family head employed	44.7	..	..	44.7
Family head not in the labour force	32.4	..	..	32.4
Total	3,862.8	682.1	289.1	4,834.0

(a) Includes a small number of families with husband not in the labour force and wife unemployed.

TABLE 10. ALL FAMILIES: FAMILY TYPE, NUMBER OF CHILDREN AGED 10 TO 14 YEARS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

	Number of children aged 10-14			Total
	None	One	Two or more	
Couple family	3,297.1	544.7	237.7	4,079.5
One or both spouses unemployed(a)	198.5	42.3	21.2	262.1
Husband employed, wife unemployed	59.0	15.9	5.8	80.6
Husband unemployed, wife employed	35.1	7.3	4.2	46.6
Husband unemployed, wife unemployed	21.6	4.3	* 2.0	27.9
Husband unemployed, wife not in the labour force	73.0	13.9	8.2	95.1
Neither spouse unemployed	3,098.5	502.4	216.6	3,817.5
Husband employed, wife employed	1,483.5	340.0	151.0	1,974.5
Husband employed, wife not in the labour force	704.4	130.2	53.8	888.5
Husband not in the labour force, wife employed	102.0	10.4	4.2	116.6
Husband not in the labour force, wife not in the labour force	808.6	21.8	7.5	837.9
One parent family	488.0	140.3	43.7	672.0
Parent unemployed	34.8	10.7	* 2.7	48.2
Male parent unemployed	5.5	* 1.2	* 0.0	6.7
Female parent unemployed	29.3	9.5	* 2.7	41.5
Parent not unemployed	453.1	129.6	41.0	623.8
Male parent employed	44.9	13.7	4.5	63.1
Female parent employed	152.3	58.3	15.3	225.8
Male parent not in the labour force	24.7	4.8	* 2.1	31.7
Female parent not in the labour force	231.2	52.8	19.1	303.2
Other family	82.5	..	..	82.5
Family head unemployed	5.4	..	..	5.4
Family head not unemployed	77.1	..	..	77.1
Family head employed	44.7	..	..	44.7
Family head not in the labour force	32.4	..	..	32.4
Total	3,867.6	685.0	281.4	4,834.0

(a) Includes a small number of families with husband not in the labour force and wife unemployed.

TABLE 11. FAMILIES WITH ONE OR MORE MEMBERS UNEMPLOYED: FAMILY TYPE, LABOUR FORCE STATUS(a) OF FAMILY MEMBERS AND WHETHER DEPENDANTS PRESENT, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

	None employed			One employed			Two or more employed			Total		
	Two or more		Total	Two or more		Total	Two or more		Total	Two or more		Total
	One unemp-loyed	more unemp-loyed		One unemp-loyed	more unemp-loyed		One unemp-loyed	more unemp-loyed		One unemp-loyed	more unemp-loyed	
Couple family	104.6	28.4	133.0	131.7	9.7	141.4	88.3	8.2	96.5	324.6	46.2	370.9
With dependants	65.2	14.9	80.0	78.0	6.9	85.0	58.2	4.7	62.9	201.4	26.4	227.9
Without dependants	39.5	13.5	53.0	53.7	* 2.7	56.4	30.0	3.5	33.6	123.2	19.8	143.0
One parent family	51.8	7.1	58.9	30.9	* 3.4	34.3	7.6	* 0.3	7.8	90.3	10.8	101.0
Other family	* 3.3	* 1.1	4.4	6.8	* 0.3	7.0	* 0.3	* 0.0	* 0.3	10.3	* 1.4	11.7
Total	159.7	36.6	196.3	169.4	13.3	182.7	96.1	8.4	104.6	425.2	58.4	483.6
With dependants	103.9	19.2	123.2	92.9	8.9	101.8	62.4	4.9	67.3	259.2	33.0	292.2
Without dependants	55.8	17.4	73.2	76.5	4.4	80.9	33.8	3.5	37.3	166.0	25.4	191.4

(a) Labour force status refers to persons aged 15 and over only.

TABLE 12. COUPLE FAMILIES: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE
AND NUMBER OF DEPENDANTS, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

Number of dependants	Wife employed			Wife unemployed	Wife in the labour force	Wife not in the labour force	Total
	Full time	Part time	Total				
HUSBAND EMPLOYED FULL TIME							
None	563.3	255.1	818.3	21.6	840.0	252.9	1,092.9
One or more	446.9	597.0	1,043.9	47.6	1,091.5	551.2	1,642.7
One	169.9	170.8	340.7	16.2	356.9	155.6	512.5
Two	195.5	268.0	463.4	20.6	484.0	235.8	719.8
Three	66.3	124.8	191.1	7.9	199.0	113.8	312.8
Four or more	15.3	33.4	48.7	* 2.8	51.5	46.0	97.5
Total	1,010.2	852.1	1,862.3	69.2	1,931.5	804.1	2,735.6
HUSBAND EMPLOYED: TOTAL							
None	589.0	292.5	881.5	26.7	908.2	301.8	1,210.0
One or more	467.7	625.3	1,093.0	53.9	1,146.9	586.7	1,733.6
One	177.9	181.1	359.0	17.3	376.2	167.3	543.6
Two	203.4	279.2	482.7	23.4	506.1	249.0	755.1
Three	69.5	130.8	200.3	9.5	209.7	121.0	330.7
Four or more	16.9	34.2	51.1	3.8	54.9	49.4	104.3
Total	1,056.7	917.8	1,974.5	80.6	2,055.1	888.5	2,943.6
HUSBAND UNEMPLOYED							
None	12.1	7.7	19.8	13.3	33.0	30.3	63.4
One or more	11.2	15.6	26.9	14.6	41.5	64.8	106.3
One	4.4	4.8	9.2	5.8	15.0	19.0	34.0
Two	4.4	4.3	8.6	5.9	14.5	18.9	33.3
Three	* 2.2	5.3	7.5	* 1.8	9.3	14.7	24.0
Four or more	* 0.3	* 1.3	* 1.6	* 1.1	* 2.7	12.3	15.0
Total	23.3	23.3	46.6	27.9	74.5	95.1	169.7
HUSBAND IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
None	601.1	300.2	901.3	40.0	941.2	332.1	1,273.3
One or more	478.9	640.9	1,119.9	68.6	1,188.4	651.5	1,839.9
One	182.3	185.9	368.1	23.1	391.2	186.3	577.6
Two	207.8	283.5	491.3	29.3	520.6	267.8	788.4
Three	71.7	136.1	207.8	11.3	219.0	135.7	354.7
Four or more	17.2	35.5	52.7	4.9	57.6	61.7	119.3
Total	1,080.0	941.1	2,021.1	108.5	2,129.7	983.6	3,113.2
HUSBAND NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
None	38.5	42.6	81.1	5.3	86.4	756.8	843.1
One or more	17.8	17.7	35.5	6.5	42.0	81.2	123.1
One	9.9	6.7	16.6	* 1.9	18.5	37.8	56.4
Two	5.8	7.0	12.8	* 3.3	16.2	26.8	43.0
Three	* 1.7	* 3.0	4.7	* 1.0	5.7	9.2	14.9
Four or more	* 0.4	* 0.9	* 1.3	* 0.2	* 1.6	7.4	8.9
Total	56.3	60.2	116.6	11.8	128.4	837.9	966.3
TOTAL							
None	639.6	342.8	982.3	45.3	1,027.6	1,088.9	2,116.5
One or more	496.7	658.6	1,155.4	75.0	1,230.4	732.6	1,963.0
One	192.2	192.6	384.8	25.0	409.7	224.2	633.9
Two	213.6	290.5	504.1	32.6	536.8	294.6	831.4
Three	73.4	139.1	212.5	12.3	224.8	144.8	369.6
Four or more	17.6	36.4	54.0	5.2	59.2	69.0	128.2
Total	1,136.3	1,001.4	2,137.7	120.3	2,258.0	1,821.5	4,079.5

TABLE 13. COUPLE FAMILIES: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE
AND AGE OF DEPENDANTS, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

	Wife employed			Wife unemp- loyed	Wife in the labour force	Wife not in the labour force	Total
	Full time	Part time	Total				
HUSBAND EMPLOYED							
Families with dependants	467.7	625.3	1,093.0	53.9	1,146.9	586.7	1,733.6
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	144.8	272.9	417.7	26.2	443.9	349.5	793.5
0-4 only	70.2	117.5	187.7	11.4	199.1	187.4	386.5
5-9 only	40.8	64.1	104.9	6.7	111.6	39.7	151.3
0-4 and 5-9	33.9	91.3	125.1	8.1	133.3	122.4	255.6
10-14 only	67.5	72.7	140.2	5.7	145.9	38.2	184.1
15-24 only	93.7	69.2	162.8	5.5	168.4	41.3	209.6
0-9 and 10-14	58.6	109.8	168.4	8.9	177.3	91.1	268.5
0-4 and 10-14	5.9	13.2	19.1	* 0.4	19.5	13.8	33.3
5-9 and 10-14	45.5	80.3	125.8	6.9	132.7	52.8	185.6
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	7.2	16.3	23.5	* 1.5	25.0	24.5	49.6
0-9 and 15-24	10.2	11.3	21.5	* 0.5	22.0	11.9	33.9
5-9 and 15-24	8.4	7.1	15.4	* 0.5	15.9	6.1	22.0
10-14 and 15-24	78.1	65.5	143.6	4.9	148.5	38.6	187.1
0-9, 10-14 and 15-24	14.9	23.9	38.7	* 2.2	40.9	16.0	57.0
5-9, 10-14 and 15-24	12.3	19.0	31.3	* 1.7	32.9	10.8	43.7
Families without dependants	589.0	292.5	881.5	26.7	908.2	301.8	1,210.0
Total	1,056.7	917.8	1,974.5	80.6	2,055.1	888.5	2,943.6
HUSBAND UNEMPLOYED							
Families with dependants	11.2	15.6	26.9	14.6	41.5	64.8	106.3
Families without dependants	12.1	7.7	19.8	13.3	33.0	30.3	63.4
Total	23.3	23.3	46.6	27.9	74.5	95.1	169.7
HUSBAND IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
Families with dependants	478.9	640.9	1,119.9	68.6	1,188.4	651.5	1,839.9
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	149.6	278.5	428.0	32.1	460.1	385.4	845.6
0-4 only	72.6	119.7	192.4	14.2	206.5	205.2	411.7
5-9 only	42.3	65.6	107.8	9.1	116.9	43.9	160.8
0-4 and 5-9	34.7	93.2	127.8	8.8	136.7	136.4	273.1
10-14 only	68.4	74.0	142.4	7.3	149.7	41.7	191.4
15-24 only	95.6	71.4	167.0	7.6	174.6	46.9	221.4
0-9 and 10-14	59.2	114.1	173.3	11.8	185.1	105.3	290.4
0-4 and 10-14	6.3	13.6	19.9	* 0.8	20.7	15.9	36.7
5-9 and 10-14	45.5	83.1	128.6	8.8	137.3	58.2	195.5
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	7.5	17.4	24.9	* 2.2	27.1	31.2	58.3
0-9 and 15-24	10.5	11.8	22.3	* 1.0	23.3	13.0	36.3
5-9 and 15-24	8.7	7.3	16.0	* 0.7	16.7	6.2	22.9
10-14 and 15-24	80.6	66.3	146.9	6.3	153.2	41.7	194.9
0-9, 10-14 and 15-24	15.0	24.9	39.9	* 2.6	42.4	17.4	59.9
5-9, 10-14 and 15-24	12.4	19.8	32.2	* 1.9	34.1	10.9	45.0
Families without dependants	601.1	300.2	901.3	40.0	941.2	332.1	1,273.3
Total	1,080.0	941.1	2,021.1	108.5	2,129.7	983.6	3,113.2
HUSBAND NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
Families with dependants	17.8	17.7	35.5	6.5	42.0	81.2	123.1
Age of dependants							
0-14 only	11.9	11.3	23.3	4.4	27.7	46.0	73.7
Other	5.9	6.3	12.2	* 2.1	14.3	35.1	49.5
Families without dependants	38.5	42.6	81.1	5.3	86.4	756.8	843.1
Total	56.3	60.2	116.6	11.8	128.4	837.9	966.3
TOTAL							
Families with dependants	496.7	658.6	1,155.4	75.0	1,230.4	732.6	1,963.0
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	155.1	284.3	439.5	35.1	474.5	411.3	885.8
0-4 only	75.9	122.2	198.1	14.8	213.0	216.2	429.1
5-9 only	42.8	67.3	110.1	10.7	120.8	50.2	171.0
0-4 and 5-9	36.4	94.8	131.2	9.5	140.7	144.9	285.6
10-14 only	72.8	77.0	149.9	8.2	158.1	52.3	210.4
15-24 only	99.8	75.6	175.4	8.9	184.3	70.7	255.0
0-9 and 10-14	61.2	116.5	177.7	12.3	190.0	114.9	304.9
0-4 and 10-14	6.3	13.9	20.2	* 1.0	21.2	18.3	39.5
5-9 and 10-14	47.4	84.8	132.2	9.0	141.2	62.5	203.7
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	7.5	17.9	25.4	* 2.2	27.6	34.1	61.7
0-9 and 15-24	11.1	12.3	23.3	* 1.3	24.6	15.1	39.8
5-9 and 15-24	9.2	7.6	16.9	* 1.0	17.9	8.2	26.1
10-14 and 15-24	81.7	68.0	149.7	6.5	156.2	47.2	203.4
0-9, 10-14 and 15-24	15.0	24.9	39.9	* 2.8	42.7	21.1	63.8
5-9, 10-14 and 15-24	12.4	19.8	32.2	* 1.9	34.2	13.2	47.4
Families without dependants	639.6	342.8	982.3	45.3	1,027.6	1,088.9	2,116.5
Total	1,136.3	1,001.4	2,137.7	120.3	2,258.0	1,821.5	4,079.5

TABLE 14. COUPLE FAMILIES: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE
AND AGE OF YOUNGEST DEPENDANT, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

	Wife employed			Wife unemp- loyed	Wife in the labour force	Wife not in the labour force	Total
	Full time	Part time	Total				
HUSBAND EMPLOYED FULL TIME							
Families with dependants	446.9	597.0	1,043.9	47.6	1,091.5	551.2	1,642.7
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	116.5	236.3	352.7	20.6	373.4	339.5	712.9
5-9	100.3	164.0	264.2	13.7	278.0	101.8	379.7
10-14	139.5	132.4	271.9	8.3	280.3	70.8	351.1
15-24	90.6	64.4	155.1	4.9	159.9	39.1	199.0
Families without dependants	563.3	255.1	818.3	21.6	840.0	252.9	1,092.9
Total	1,010.2	852.1	1,862.3	69.2	1,931.5	804.1	2,735.6
HUSBAND EMPLOYED: TOTAL							
Families with dependants	467.7	625.3	1,093.0	53.9	1,146.9	586.7	1,733.6
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	121.5	247.4	368.9	22.1	391.0	359.2	750.2
5-9	106.9	170.5	277.4	15.8	293.2	109.4	402.6
10-14	145.6	138.2	283.8	10.6	294.4	76.9	371.2
15-24	93.7	69.2	162.8	5.5	168.4	41.3	209.6
Families without dependants	589.0	292.5	881.5	26.7	908.2	301.8	1,210.0
Total	1,056.7	917.8	1,974.5	80.6	2,055.1	888.5	2,943.6
HUSBAND UNEMPLOYED							
Families with dependants	11.2	15.6	26.9	14.6	41.5	64.8	106.3
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	3.9	6.1	9.9	4.9	14.9	42.8	57.6
5-9	* 2.0	5.2	7.2	4.7	11.9	9.8	21.7
10-14	* 3.4	* 2.1	5.6	* 3.0	8.5	6.6	15.1
15-24	* 1.9	* 2.2	4.2	* 2.0	6.2	5.6	11.8
Families without dependants	12.1	7.7	19.8	13.3	33.0	30.3	63.4
Total	23.3	23.3	46.6	27.9	74.5	95.1	169.7
HUSBAND IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
Families with dependants	478.9	640.9	1,119.9	68.6	1,188.4	651.5	1,839.9
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	125.4	253.5	378.9	27.0	405.9	402.0	807.8
5-9	108.8	175.8	284.6	20.4	305.1	119.2	424.3
10-14	149.0	140.3	289.4	13.5	302.9	83.5	386.4
15-24	95.6	71.4	167.0	7.6	174.6	46.9	221.4
Families without dependants	601.1	300.2	901.3	40.0	941.2	332.1	1,273.3
Total	1,080.0	941.1	2,021.1	108.5	2,129.7	983.6	3,113.2
HUSBAND NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
Families with dependants	17.8	17.7	35.5	6.5	42.0	81.2	123.1
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	5.0	5.1	10.1	* 1.8	11.8	26.4	38.3
5-9	* 3.1	3.7	6.8	* 2.2	9.0	14.8	23.9
10-14	5.5	4.7	10.2	* 1.2	11.4	16.0	27.4
15-24	4.2	4.2	8.4	* 1.3	9.8	23.8	33.6
Families without dependants	38.5	42.6	81.1	5.3	86.4	756.8	843.1
Total	56.3	60.2	116.6	11.8	128.4	837.9	966.3
TOTAL							
Families with dependants	496.7	658.6	1,155.4	75.0	1,230.4	732.6	1,963.0
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	130.4	258.5	388.9	28.8	417.7	428.4	846.1
5-9	111.9	179.5	291.4	22.7	314.1	134.1	448.2
10-14	154.6	145.0	299.6	14.7	314.3	99.5	413.7
15-24	99.8	75.6	175.4	8.9	184.3	70.7	255.0
Families without dependants	639.6	342.8	982.3	45.3	1,027.6	1,088.9	2,116.5
Total	1,136.3	1,001.4	2,137.7	120.3	2,258.0	1,821.5	4,079.5

TABLE 15. COUPLE FAMILIES WITH HUSBAND IN THE LABOUR FORCE:
LABOUR FORCE STATUS, AGE OF WIFE AND AGE OF DEPENDANTS, JUNE 1996
(*000 families)

	Wife employed			Wife unemployed	Wife in the labour force	Wife not in the labour force	Total
	Full time	Part time	Total				
WIFE AGED 15-34							
Families with dependants	125.6	212.2	337.8	30.3	368.1	340.7	708.8
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	97.1	175.5	272.5	22.4	294.9	287.0	581.9
0-4 only	58.3	96.1	154.5	12.0	166.5	177.8	344.3
5-9 only	18.6	22.4	41.0	3.8	44.7	18.1	62.8
0-4 and 5-9	20.1	57.0	77.1	6.6	83.7	91.1	174.9
10-14 only	7.8	4.3	12.1	* 1.5	13.6	* 3.3	16.9
15-24 only	* 0.7	* 0.2	* 1.0	* 0.0	* 1.0	* 0.6	* 1.6
0-9 and 10-14	15.8	27.9	43.6	5.8	49.5	45.5	95.0
0-4 and 10-14	* 2.0	5.6	7.6	* 0.6	8.2	8.7	16.9
5-9 and 10-14	10.7	15.8	26.5	3.7	30.2	21.9	52.1
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	* 3.1	6.4	9.5	* 1.5	11.0	14.9	25.9
10-14 and 15-24	* 2.0	* 1.4	* 3.4	* 0.0	* 3.4	* 1.7	5.1
Other(a)	* 2.3	* 2.8	5.1	* 0.6	5.7	* 2.6	8.4
Families without dependants	266.1	56.3	322.4	16.2	338.6	35.2	373.8
Total	391.8	268.4	660.2	46.5	706.7	375.9	1,082.6
WIFE AGED 35-44							
Families with dependants	248.3	330.4	578.7	29.6	608.3	234.0	842.3
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	49.0	94.1	143.0	9.1	152.1	93.9	246.0
0-4 only	13.0	22.2	35.2	* 2.2	37.4	26.4	63.8
5-9 only	21.4	36.7	58.1	4.7	62.9	22.9	85.7
0-4 and 5-9	14.5	35.2	49.7	* 2.2	51.9	44.6	96.5
10-14 only	43.8	53.6	97.3	4.0	101.4	22.9	124.3
15-24 only	37.4	27.5	65.0	4.0	69.0	13.2	82.2
0-9 and 10-14	40.3	80.5	120.8	5.2	126.0	56.6	182.6
0-4 and 10-14	4.2	7.5	11.7	* 0.2	12.0	7.2	19.2
5-9 and 10-14	31.9	62.1	94.0	4.6	98.6	33.7	132.3
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	4.2	10.9	15.1	* 0.4	15.5	15.6	31.2
10-14 and 15-24	58.3	44.9	103.2	4.6	107.8	23.1	130.9
Other(a)	19.5	29.8	49.3	* 2.7	52.0	24.2	76.2
Families without dependants	94.6	33.8	128.4	5.6	134.0	25.6	159.6
Total	342.9	364.2	707.1	35.2	742.3	259.5	1,001.8
WIFE AGED 45 AND OVER							
Families with dependants	105.0	98.4	203.4	8.6	212.0	76.8	288.9
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	3.6	8.9	12.4	* 0.7	13.1	4.5	17.6
0-4 only	* 1.3	* 1.4	* 2.7	* 0.0	* 2.7	* 0.9	3.6
5-9 only	* 2.3	6.5	8.8	* 0.6	9.3	* 3.0	12.3
0-4 and 5-9	* 0.0	* 1.0	* 1.0	* 0.1	* 1.1	* 0.6	* 1.7
10-14 only	16.8	16.2	33.0	* 1.7	34.7	15.6	50.3
15-24 only	57.5	43.6	101.0	3.6	104.6	33.0	137.7
0-9 and 10-14	* 3.2	5.7	8.9	* 0.7	9.6	* 3.2	12.8
0-4 and 10-14	* 0.0	* 0.6	* 0.6	* 0.0	* 0.6	* 0.0	* 0.6
5-9 and 10-14	* 2.9	5.1	8.1	* 0.5	8.5	* 2.6	11.1
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	* 0.3	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.3	* 0.5	* 0.7	* 1.2
10-14 and 15-24	20.3	20.0	40.3	* 1.7	42.0	16.9	58.9
Other(a)	3.7	4.1	7.7	* 0.2	7.9	3.6	11.5
Families without dependants	240.3	210.1	450.4	18.2	468.6	271.3	740.0
Total	345.3	308.5	653.8	26.9	680.7	348.2	1,028.8
TOTAL							
Families with dependants	478.9	640.9	1,119.9	68.6	1,188.4	651.5	1,839.9
Age of dependants							
0-9 only	149.6	278.5	428.0	32.1	460.1	385.4	845.6
0-4 only	72.6	119.7	192.4	14.2	206.5	205.2	411.7
5-9 only	42.3	65.6	107.8	9.1	116.9	43.9	160.8
0-4 and 5-9	34.7	93.2	127.8	8.8	136.7	136.4	273.1
10-14 only	68.4	74.0	142.4	7.3	149.7	41.7	191.4
15-24 only	95.6	71.4	167.0	7.6	174.6	46.9	221.4
0-9 and 10-14	59.2	114.1	173.3	11.8	185.1	105.3	290.4
0-4 and 10-14	6.3	13.6	19.9	* 0.8	20.7	15.9	36.7
5-9 and 10-14	45.5	83.1	128.6	8.8	137.3	58.2	195.5
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	7.5	17.4	24.9	* 2.2	27.1	31.2	58.3
10-14 and 15-24	80.6	66.3	146.9	6.3	153.2	41.7	194.9
Other(a)	25.5	36.7	62.2	3.5	65.7	30.4	96.1
Families without dependants	601.1	300.2	901.3	40.0	941.2	332.1	1,273.3
Total	1,080.0	941.1	2,021.1	108.5	2,129.7	983.6	3,113.2

(a) Comprises all other combinations of dependants aged 0-24.

**TABLE 16. COUPLE FAMILIES WITH WIFE IN THE LABOUR FORCE:
LABOUR FORCE STATUS, AGE OF HUSBAND AND AGE OF DEPENDANTS, JUNE 1996**
(*000 families)

	<i>Husband employed</i>		<i>Husband unemployed</i>	<i>Husband in the labour force</i>	<i>Husband not in the labour force</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Full time</i>	<i>Total</i>				
HUSBAND AGED 15-34						
Families with dependants	233.0	244.0	12.0	256.0	9.2	265.1
Age of dependants						
0-9 only	205.5	213.2	8.9	222.1	7.2	229.3
0-4 only	125.9	129.6	5.5	135.1	4.5	139.5
5-9 only	26.5	27.6	* 1.6	29.2	* 1.4	30.6
0-4 and 5-9	53.1	56.1	* 1.8	57.8	* 1.3	59.2
10-14 only	5.1	5.9	* 0.3	6.2	* 0.4	6.6
15-24 only	* 1.4	* 1.6	* 0.0	* 1.6	* 0.0	* 1.6
0-9 and 10-14	18.1	20.2	* 2.4	22.6	* 1.2	23.8
0-4 and 10-14	* 3.4	4.0	* 0.4	4.3	* 0.2	4.6
5-9 and 10-14	11.1	12.2	* 1.2	13.4	* 0.6	14.1
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	3.6	4.0	* 0.8	4.8	* 0.3	5.2
10-14 and 15-24	* 0.9	* 1.1	* 0.1	* 1.3	* 0.0	* 1.3
Other(a)	* 2.0	* 2.0	* 0.2	* 2.2	* 0.3	* 2.5
Families without dependants	277.8	291.5	9.3	300.8	8.5	309.3
Total	510.8	535.5	21.3	556.8	17.7	574.4
HUSBAND AGED 35-44						
Families with dependants	526.6	550.9	15.8	566.7	14.0	580.7
Age of dependants						
0-9 only	184.3	193.7	5.4	199.1	5.1	204.1
0-4 only	56.8	60.3	* 1.4	61.6	* 1.7	63.3
5-9 only	59.5	63.1	* 2.4	65.5	* 1.1	66.6
0-4 and 5-9	68.0	70.3	* 1.7	71.9	* 2.3	74.2
10-14 only	76.4	79.2	* 1.9	81.1	* 2.9	84.0
15-24 only	32.5	33.8	* 1.9	35.7	* 2.0	37.7
0-9 and 10-14	122.3	128.1	3.9	132.0	* 2.3	134.3
0-4 and 10-14	11.8	12.6	* 0.5	13.1	* 0.3	13.4
5-9 and 10-14	93.3	97.2	* 2.4	99.6	* 1.9	101.5
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	17.2	18.3	* 1.0	19.2	* 0.2	19.4
10-14 and 15-24	74.2	77.6	* 1.6	79.2	* 0.9	80.1
Other(a)	37.0	38.5	* 1.1	39.6	* 0.8	40.4
Families without dependants	115.0	119.8	6.6	126.4	4.3	130.8
Total	641.6	670.8	22.4	693.1	18.3	711.4
HUSBAND AGED 45 AND OVER						
Families with dependants	331.9	352.1	13.7	365.8	18.8	384.6
Age of dependants						
0-9 only	34.8	37.0	* 1.9	38.9	* 2.1	41.0
0-4 only	8.3	9.3	* 0.6	9.8	* 0.3	10.1
5-9 only	19.8	20.9	* 1.3	22.2	* 1.3	23.5
0-4 and 5-9	6.7	6.9	* 0.0	6.9	* 0.5	7.4
10-14 only	57.8	60.8	* 1.6	62.4	5.0	67.4
15-24 only	126.0	133.0	4.3	137.3	7.7	145.0
0-9 and 10-14	27.0	29.0	* 1.5	30.6	* 1.4	32.0
0-4 and 10-14	* 3.0	* 3.0	* 0.3	* 3.3	* 0.0	* 3.3
5-9 and 10-14	21.3	23.3	* 1.0	24.3	* 1.4	25.7
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	* 2.8	* 2.8	* 0.3	* 3.0	* 0.0	* 3.0
10-14 and 15-24	65.9	69.8	* 2.9	72.7	* 2.1	74.8
Other(a)	20.4	22.4	* 1.5	23.9	* 0.5	24.4
Families without dependants	447.2	496.9	17.1	514.0	73.6	587.5
Total	779.1	848.9	30.8	879.7	92.4	972.1
TOTAL						
Families with dependants	1,091.5	1,146.9	41.5	1,188.4	42.0	1,230.4
Age of dependants						
0-9 only	424.5	443.9	16.2	460.1	14.4	474.5
0-4 only	191.0	199.1	7.4	206.5	6.4	213.0
5-9 only	105.8	111.6	5.3	116.9	3.9	120.8
0-4 and 5-9	127.7	133.3	* 3.4	136.7	4.1	140.7
10-14 only	139.3	145.9	3.8	149.7	8.4	158.1
15-24 only	159.9	168.4	6.2	174.6	9.8	184.3
0-9 and 10-14	167.4	177.3	7.8	185.1	4.9	190.0
0-4 and 10-14	18.2	19.5	* 1.2	20.7	* 0.5	21.2
5-9 and 10-14	125.7	132.7	4.6	137.3	3.9	141.2
0-4, 5-9 and 10-14	23.6	25.0	* 2.1	27.1	* 0.5	27.6
10-14 and 15-24	141.0	148.5	4.7	153.2	* 3.0	156.2
Other(a)	59.4	62.9	* 2.8	65.7	* 1.6	67.3
Families without dependants	840.0	908.2	33.0	941.2	86.4	1,027.6
Total	1,931.5	2,055.1	74.5	2,129.7	128.4	2,258.0

(a) Comprises all other combinations of dependants aged 0-24.

TABLE 17. COUPLE FAMILIES WITH HUSBAND UNEMPLOYED: DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT OF HUSBAND AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF WIFE, JUNE 1996

	Duration of unemployment of husband (weeks)							
	Under 4	4 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 52	52 and over	Total	Average duration	Median duration
	— '000 families —						— weeks —	
Couple family with husband unemployed	21.1	28.7	26.7	31.0	62.1	169.7	69.6	27
Wife in the labour force	12.2	14.7	13.5	12.6	21.6	74.5	53.1	21
Wife employed	10.0	9.5	9.1	6.2	11.8	46.6	44.6	17
Wife unemployed	* 2.1	5.3	4.4	6.4	9.8	27.9	67.3	27
Wife not in the labour force	9.0	14.0	13.2	18.4	40.5	95.1	82.5	38
With dependants								
Wife in the labour force	6.5	7.8	7.2	7.9	12.1	41.5	51.4	24
Wife employed	6.1	5.1	4.3	4.2	7.2	26.9	46.9	19
Wife unemployed	* 0.5	* 2.7	* 2.9	3.8	4.9	14.6	59.8	28
Wife not in the labour force	6.1	12.0	9.0	14.1	23.6	64.8	70.2	29
Without dependants								
Wife in the labour force	5.6	7.0	6.3	4.7	9.5	33.0	55.3	17
Wife employed	4.0	4.3	4.9	* 2.0	4.6	19.8	41.6	17
Wife unemployed	* 1.7	* 2.6	* 1.5	* 2.6	4.9	13.3	75.6	* 26
Wife not in the labour force	* 2.9	* 2.0	4.2	4.3	17.0	30.3	108.8	54

TABLE 18. COUPLE FAMILIES WITH WIFE UNEMPLOYED: DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT OF WIFE AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, JUNE 1996

	<i>Duration of unemployment of wife (weeks)</i>							
	<i>Under 4</i>	<i>4 and under 13</i>	<i>13 and under 26</i>	<i>26 and under 52</i>	<i>52 and over</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Average duration</i>	<i>Median duration</i>
	<i>— '000 families —</i>						<i>— weeks —</i>	
Couple family with wife unemployed	24.0	27.3	20.8	20.0	28.2	120.3	43.8	18
Husband in the labour force	21.9	25.2	18.3	17.2	26.0	108.5	44.9	17
Husband employed	19.7	18.6	13.1	13.0	16.1	80.6	35.7	13
Husband not in the labour force	* 2.1	* 2.1	* 2.5	* 2.8	* 2.2	11.8	33.6	* 21
With dependants								
Husband in the labour force	14.9	14.1	13.0	11.4	15.2	68.6	42.2	18
Husband employed	13.7	11.4	10.0	9.1	9.8	53.9	34.5	17
Husband not in the labour force	* 0.8	* 0.7	* 1.8	* 1.6	* 1.7	6.5	34.7	* 30
Without dependants								
Husband in the labour force	7.0	11.2	5.2	5.8	10.8	40.0	49.7	17
Husband employed	6.0	7.2	* 3.1	4.0	6.4	26.7	38.2	13
Husband not in the labour force	* 1.4	* 1.4	* 0.8	* 1.2	* 0.6	5.3	* 32.4	* 12

TABLE 19. ONE PARENT FAMILIES: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PARENT AND AGE OF DEPENDANTS, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

	Families with dependants who are aged						Families with any dependants who are aged(c)		
	0-9 only	10-14 only	15-24 only	0-9 and 10-14	Other(a)	Total families(b)	0-9	10-14	15-24
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A MALE PARENT									
Parent employed	10.2	12.3	14.3	* 2.6	* 3.4	63.1	13.0	18.2	17.7
Full time	9.3	9.5	13.7	* 2.1	* 3.3	56.3	11.6	14.9	17.0
Part time	* 0.9	* 2.7	* 0.7	* 0.5	* 0.1	6.8	* 1.4	* 3.3	* 0.8
Parent unemployed	* 1.8	* 0.9	* 1.1	* 0.0	* 0.4	6.7	* 1.8	* 1.2	* 1.5
Parent in the labour force	11.9	13.1	15.5	* 2.6	3.8	69.8	14.8	19.4	19.2
Parent not in the labour force	3.9	5.1	* 2.9	* 1.0	* 0.9	31.7	5.2	7.0	3.8
Total	15.9	18.2	18.3	3.6	4.6	101.4	20.0	26.3	23.0
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A FEMALE PARENT									
Parent employed	59.9	51.8	40.2	20.7	23.4	225.8	86.3	73.5	63.7
Full time	23.9	17.8	29.3	7.7	12.7	125.5	33.8	37.3	41.9
Part time	36.0	13.9	11.0	13.0	10.8	100.4	52.6	36.2	21.7
Parent unemployed	17.9	6.5	5.9	* 3.1	* 3.0	41.5	22.4	12.2	8.9
Looking for full-time work	10.1	4.1	5.3	* 1.4	* 1.8	27.0	11.9	7.0	7.1
Looking for part-time work	7.8	* 2.4	* 0.6	* 1.8	* 1.2	14.5	10.4	5.2	* 1.8
Parent in the labour force	77.8	38.3	46.1	23.8	26.4	267.3	108.7	85.7	72.5
Parent not in the labour force	98.5	28.1	18.8	28.2	20.6	303.2	137.4	72.0	39.4
Total	176.3	66.4	64.9	52.0	47.0	570.6	246.1	157.7	111.9
TOTAL									
Parent employed	70.1	44.0	54.6	23.3	26.8	288.9	99.3	91.7	81.4
Full time	33.2	27.3	42.9	9.8	16.0	181.8	45.4	52.2	58.9
Part time	36.9	16.7	11.6	13.5	10.8	107.2	54.0	39.5	22.5
Parent unemployed	19.7	7.4	7.0	* 3.1	* 3.3	48.2	24.2	13.3	10.4
Looking for full-time work	11.9	4.7	6.2	* 1.4	* 2.2	32.8	13.7	8.0	8.4
Looking for part-time work	7.8	* 2.7	* 0.8	* 1.8	* 1.2	15.4	10.4	5.4	* 2.0
Parent in the labour force	89.8	51.4	61.6	26.4	30.2	337.1	123.5	105.1	91.8
Parent not in the labour force	102.4	33.2	21.7	29.2	21.5	334.9	142.6	79.0	43.2
Total	192.2	84.6	83.3	55.6	51.6	672.0	266.1	184.0	134.9

(a) Comprises all other combinations of dependants aged 0-24. (b) Includes families without dependants. (c) Families with dependants in more than one group are included in each relevant group.

TABLE 20. ONE PARENT FAMILIES: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PARENT AND AGE OF YOUNGEST DEPENDANT, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

	Parent employed			Parent unemployed	Parent in the labour force	Parent not in the labour force	Total
	Full time	Part time	Total				
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A MALE PARENT							
With dependants	37.8	4.9	42.7	4.1	46.8	13.8	60.6
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	4.5	* 0.7	5.1	* 0.7	5.8	* 2.9	8.8
5-9	7.2	* 0.7	7.9	* 1.1	9.0	* 2.3	11.3
10-14	12.6	* 2.8	15.4	* 1.2	16.5	5.7	22.2
15-24	13.7	* 0.7	14.3	* 1.1	15.5	* 2.9	18.3
Without dependants	18.4	* 2.0	20.4	* 2.6	22.9	17.9	40.8
Total	56.3	6.8	63.1	6.7	69.8	31.7	101.4
ONE PARENT FAMILY WITH A FEMALE PARENT							
With dependants	91.3	84.7	176.0	36.4	212.5	194.1	406.6
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	14.0	24.3	38.3	13.0	51.4	92.6	144.0
5-9	19.7	28.3	48.0	9.3	57.3	44.8	102.1
10-14	28.3	21.1	49.5	8.2	57.7	37.9	95.6
15-24	29.3	11.0	40.2	5.9	46.1	18.8	64.9
Without dependants	34.1	15.7	49.8	5.1	54.8	109.1	163.9
Total	125.5	100.4	225.8	41.5	267.3	303.2	570.6
TOTAL							
With dependants	129.2	89.6	218.7	40.6	259.3	207.9	467.2
Age of youngest dependant							
0-4	18.5	25.0	43.5	13.7	57.2	95.6	152.8
5-9	26.9	29.0	55.9	10.5	66.3	47.0	113.4
10-14	40.9	24.0	64.8	9.4	74.2	43.6	117.8
15-24	42.9	11.6	54.6	7.0	61.6	21.7	83.3
Without dependants	52.6	17.6	70.2	7.6	77.8	127.0	204.8
Total	181.8	107.2	288.9	48.2	337.1	334.9	672.0

TABLE 21. ONE PARENT FAMILIES WITH A MALE PARENT: LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE OF PARENT, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

	<i>Age of parent (years)</i>			<i>Total</i>
	<i>15-34</i>	<i>35-44</i>	<i>45 and over</i>	
Parent in the labour force	8.4	25.8	35.6	69.8
Parent employed	6.9	24.6	31.6	63.1
Parent unemployed	* 1.5	* 1.3	4.0	6.7
Parent not in the labour force	3.6	5.4	22.7	31.7
Total	11.9	31.2	58.3	101.4

TABLE 22. ONE PARENT FAMILIES WITH A FEMALE PARENT: LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE OF PARENT, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

	<i>Age of parent (years)</i>					<i>Total</i>
	<i>15-24</i>	<i>25-34</i>	<i>35-44</i>	<i>45-54</i>	<i>55 and over</i>	
Parent in the labour force	18.9	58.3	100.5	73.8	15.9	267.3
Parent employed	12.4	46.1	87.5	65.4	14.3	225.8
Parent unemployed	6.5	12.2	12.9	8.4	* 1.6	41.5
Parent not in the labour force	31.1	76.6	58.8	38.3	98.5	303.2
Total	50.0	134.9	159.2	112.1	114.4	570.6

TABLE 23. ONE PARENT FAMILIES WITH PARENT EMPLOYED: FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STATUS OF PARENT AND NUMBER OF DEPENDANTS, JUNE 1996
(^{'000 families})

<i>Number of dependants</i>	<i>Male parent employed</i>			<i>Female parent employed</i>		
	<i>Full time</i>	<i>Part time</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Full time</i>	<i>Part time</i>	<i>Total</i>
None	18.4	* 2.0	20.4	34.1	15.7	49.8
One	25.5	* 3.3	28.7	55.1	41.2	96.3
Two	9.5	* 1.0	10.5	29.3	32.4	61.7
Three or more	* 2.9	* 0.5	* 3.4	7.0	11.1	18.1
Total	56.3	6.8	63.1	125.5	100.4	225.8

TABLE 24. ONE PARENT FAMILIES WITH PARENT UNEMPLOYED: DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT OF PARENT, JUNE 1996

	Duration of unemployment of parent (weeks)				Total	Average duration	Median duration
	Under 8	8 and under 26	26 and under 52	52 and over			
	—'000 families —							— weeks —
Male parent unemployed	* 0.6	* 0.8	* 1.9	* 3.4	6.7	80.9	* 52
Female parent unemployed	12.6	11.2	4.6	13.1	41.5	49.5	21
Total	13.2	12.0	6.5	16.5	48.2	53.9	23

**TABLE 25. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD, AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS
OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER(a), JUNE 1996**

	<i>Employed</i>		<i>Unemployed</i>		<i>Labour force</i>	<i>Not in labour force</i>	<i>Civilian population aged 15 and over</i>	<i>Unemployment rate</i>	<i>Participation rate</i>	
	<i>Full-time workers</i>	<i>Part-time workers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Looking for full-time work</i>						<i>Total</i>
— '000 —										
MALES										
Family member	3,419.6	441.3	3,860.9	274.5	317.2	4,178.1	1,383.9	5,562.0	7.6	75.1
Husband	2,776.7	210.6	2,987.3	159.2	171.7	3,159.0	971.4	4,130.4	5.4	76.5
With dependants	1,676.8	92.9	1,769.7	102.1	107.9	1,877.6	126.0	2,003.5	5.7	93.7
Without dependants	1,100.0	117.6	1,217.6	57.1	63.8	1,281.4	845.4	2,126.8	5.0	60.2
Lone parent	56.3	6.8	63.1	5.8	6.7	69.8	31.4	101.2	9.6	69.0
With dependants	38.1	4.9	43.1	3.8	4.2	47.3	13.9	61.2	9.0	77.3
Without dependants	18.2	* 1.9	20.0	* 2.0	* 2.5	22.5	17.5	40.0	* 11.0	56.2
Dependent student(b)	5.3	134.5	139.8	4.9	28.6	168.3	256.2	424.5	17.0	39.7
Non-dependent child(c)	511.0	75.8	586.8	89.3	92.9	679.7	73.5	753.2	13.7	90.2
Other family person	70.3	13.7	84.0	15.2	17.3	101.2	51.5	152.7	17.1	66.3
Non-family member	654.2	86.9	741.1	86.3	93.7	834.8	329.5	1,164.3	11.2	71.7
Lone person	326.3	36.1	362.5	45.5	48.7	411.2	243.3	654.5	11.9	62.8
Not living alone	327.8	50.8	378.6	40.8	45.0	423.6	86.3	509.9	10.6	83.1
Total	4,073.8	528.2	4,602.0	360.8	410.9	5,012.9	1,713.4	6,726.3	8.2	74.5
FEMALES										
Family member	1,567.1	1,372.3	2,939.4	146.0	236.1	3,175.5	2,484.7	5,660.2	7.4	56.1
Wife	1,124.1	991.2	2,115.3	74.0	119.4	2,234.7	1,810.1	4,044.8	5.3	55.2
With dependants	494.2	653.4	1,147.6	42.2	74.5	1,222.0	728.3	1,950.3	6.1	62.7
Without dependants	629.9	337.9	967.8	31.8	44.9	1,012.7	1,081.8	2,094.4	4.4	48.4
Lone parent	124.8	100.1	224.9	27.0	41.6	266.6	300.6	567.2	15.6	47.0
With dependants	91.5	84.7	176.2	22.8	36.7	212.9	194.3	407.3	17.2	52.3
Without dependants	33.2	15.5	48.7	4.2	4.9	53.6	106.3	160.0	9.2	33.5
Dependent student(b)	* 1.8	179.6	181.4	* 2.6	29.0	210.4	218.4	428.9	13.8	49.1
Non-dependent child(c)	277.7	86.0	363.7	34.7	38.1	401.8	49.8	451.6	9.5	89.0
Other family person	38.7	15.3	54.0	7.6	8.0	62.0	105.7	167.7	12.9	37.0
Non-family member	397.6	138.0	535.6	40.1	48.8	584.4	601.8	1,186.1	8.4	49.3
Lone person	192.6	67.4	260.0	18.5	22.1	282.1	525.0	807.1	7.8	35.0
Not living alone	205.0	70.5	275.5	21.5	26.8	302.3	76.7	379.0	8.9	79.8
Total	1,964.6	1,510.3	3,475.0	186.0	284.9	3,759.9	3,086.4	6,846.3	7.6	54.9
PERSONS										
Family member	4,986.7	1,813.6	6,800.3	420.5	553.3	7,353.6	3,868.5	11,222.2	7.5	65.5
Husband or wife	3,900.8	1,201.8	5,102.6	233.2	291.1	5,393.7	2,781.5	8,175.1	5.4	66.0
With dependants	2,171.0	746.3	2,917.2	144.3	182.4	3,099.6	854.3	3,953.9	5.9	78.4
Without dependants	1,729.8	455.5	2,185.4	88.9	108.7	2,294.1	1,927.2	4,221.3	4.7	54.3
Lone parent	181.1	106.9	288.0	32.9	48.4	336.4	332.0	668.4	14.4	50.3
With dependants	129.7	89.6	219.3	26.6	41.0	260.3	208.2	468.4	15.7	55.6
Without dependants	51.4	17.3	68.7	6.3	7.4	76.1	123.8	200.0	9.7	38.1
Dependent student(b)	7.1	314.1	321.2	7.6	57.6	378.8	474.6	853.4	15.2	44.4
Non-dependent child(c)	788.7	161.8	950.5	124.0	131.0	1,081.5	123.3	1,204.8	12.1	89.8
Other family person	109.0	29.0	138.0	22.8	25.3	163.3	157.1	320.4	15.5	51.0
Non-family member	1,051.7	224.9	1,276.6	126.4	142.5	1,419.2	931.3	2,350.5	10.0	60.4
Lone person	518.9	103.6	622.5	64.0	70.8	693.3	768.3	1,461.6	10.2	47.4
Not living alone	532.8	121.3	654.1	62.4	71.7	725.9	163.0	888.9	9.9	81.7
Total	6,038.4	2,038.5	8,076.9	546.9	695.8	8,772.8	4,799.8	13,572.6	7.9	64.4

TABLE 26. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD, LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE
OF PERSONS 15 AND OVER(a), JUNE 1996
(*000)

	Age group (years)						65 and over	Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64		
MALES								
Family member	579.4	479.8	1,027.9	1,153.3	988.5	634.0	699.2	5,562.0
Husband with dependants	* 2.0	35.3	512.7	886.8	480.3	74.9	11.6	2,003.5
Employed	* 1.4	28.3	455.8	811.8	422.0	48.8	* 1.5	1,769.7
Not in the labour force	* 0.4	* 2.4	19.7	36.7	35.7	21.3	9.8	126.0
Husband without dependants	* 3.3	66.5	279.1	159.3	442.4	529.4	646.8	2,126.8
Employed	* 1.9	59.6	262.8	141.0	374.4	306.7	71.3	1,217.6
Not in the labour force	* 0.3	3.7	8.5	10.0	49.1	200.0	573.8	845.4
Lone parent with dependants	* 0.0	* 1.0	10.9	26.6	17.4	4.2	* 1.1	61.2
Employed	* 0.0	* 0.3	6.6	20.9	13.1	* 1.9	* 0.2	43.1
Not in the labour force	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 3.2	5.0	* 2.4	* 2.3	* 0.6	13.9
Lone parent without dependants	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	4.8	13.2	8.8	13.3	40.0
Employed	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	3.9	10.3	5.0	* 0.8	20.0
Not in the labour force	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 1.6	* 3.1	12.5	17.5
Dependent student(b)	365.1	59.4	..	..	..	..	..	424.5
Employed	111.2	28.6	..	..	..	..	..	139.8
Not in the labour force	229.2	27.0	..	..	..	..	..	256.2
Non-dependent child(c)	188.8	280.8	188.6	61.8	25.3	6.3	* 1.6	753.2
Employed	138.1	239.7	149.0	42.2	14.1	* 3.3	* 0.3	586.8
Not in the labour force	13.0	13.5	21.5	12.2	9.3	* 2.7	* 1.3	73.5
Other family person	20.2	36.7	36.7	13.9	9.9	10.4	24.9	152.7
Employed	8.3	24.5	28.4	10.6	7.0	3.7	* 1.4	84.0
Not in the labour force	7.4	7.8	3.8	* 1.7	* 1.4	5.9	23.5	51.5
Non-family member	37.2	191.1	329.2	186.1	138.7	107.2	174.8	1,164.3
Lone person	* 3.4	39.7	127.1	124.9	112.9	89.7	156.7	654.5
Employed	* 1.5	29.7	105.6	94.0	79.7	39.4	12.5	362.5
Not in the labour force	* 0.9	5.2	7.7	17.6	24.2	43.4	144.3	243.3
Not living alone	33.8	151.4	202.1	61.1	25.8	17.5	18.1	509.9
Employed	17.2	111.6	171.1	50.9	18.8	8.6	* 0.3	378.6
Not in the labour force	8.0	24.4	17.6	5.0	5.4	8.1	17.8	86.3
Total	616.6	670.8	1,357.1	1,339.3	1,127.1	741.2	874.0	6,726.3
Employed	279.6	522.3	1,179.4	1,175.3	939.5	417.5	88.3	4,602.0
Not in the labour force	259.1	84.4	82.1	88.7	129.1	286.7	783.5	1,713.4
FEMALES								
Family member	528.3	484.7	1,186.1	1,247.1	984.7	609.2	619.9	5,660.2
Wife with dependants	7.8	69.4	661.6	878.6	307.8	23.4	* 1.8	1,950.3
Employed	* 1.1	20.2	324.1	590.0	202.6	9.1	* 0.4	1,147.6
Not in the labour force	5.7	45.2	309.0	257.1	96.4	13.5	* 1.4	728.3
Wife without dependants	13.3	102.9	263.1	174.1	544.3	518.1	478.5	2,094.4
Employed	7.2	85.7	228.8	134.3	338.4	154.1	19.2	967.8
Not in the labour force	* 3.0	10.9	25.9	33.9	191.3	358.0	458.8	1,081.8
Lone parent with dependants	9.7	40.3	134.8	145.7	66.8	7.9	* 2.1	407.3
Employed	* 2.0	10.4	45.8	78.4	37.3	* 2.5	* 0.0	176.2
Not in the labour force	6.8	24.4	76.8	55.5	23.6	5.1	* 2.1	194.3
Lone parent without dependants	* 0.1	* 0.0	* 0.3	14.0	43.8	36.4	65.3	160.0
Employed	* 0.1	* 0.0	* 0.3	9.7	27.1	9.3	* 2.2	48.7
Not in the labour force	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 3.2	14.2	25.9	63.1	106.3
Dependent student(b)	372.1	56.7	..	..	..	..	..	428.9
Employed	149.3	32.1	..	..	..	..	..	181.4
Not in the labour force	196.8	21.6	..	..	..	..	..	218.4
Non-dependent child(c)	107.8	194.8	102.8	26.1	11.2	6.9	* 2.0	451.6
Employed	85.8	167.8	83.9	17.8	7.0	* 1.4	* 0.0	363.7
Not in the labour force	6.9	13.7	10.9	6.7	4.0	5.6	* 2.0	49.8
Other family person	17.4	20.7	23.5	8.5	10.8	16.6	70.2	167.7
Employed	6.9	14.2	18.1	6.3	5.0	* 2.2	* 1.3	54.0
Not in the labour force	7.5	4.4	3.6	* 1.9	5.6	13.8	68.9	105.7
Non-family member	53.3	173.1	187.6	103.6	109.7	122.7	436.1	1,186.1
Lone person	4.9	34.1	79.6	70.7	89.9	109.1	418.8	807.1
Employed	* 3.2	25.6	69.9	57.5	59.0	33.9	10.9	260.0
Not in the labour force	* 1.0	3.7	7.2	9.8	23.5	72.3	407.5	525.0
Not living alone	48.4	139.0	108.0	32.9	19.9	13.6	17.2	379.0
Employed	27.3	108.7	92.8	27.8	13.9	4.1	* 0.8	275.5
Not in the labour force	13.4	18.6	10.4	4.4	4.8	8.8	16.4	76.7
Total	581.6	657.9	1,373.8	1,350.8	1,094.5	731.9	1,056.0	6,846.3
Employed	283.0	464.8	863.8	921.8	690.2	216.6	34.8	3,475.0
Not in the labour force	241.1	142.5	443.8	372.5	363.5	502.9	1,020.2	3,086.4

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**TABLE 26. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD, LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE
OF PERSONS 15 AND OVER(a), JUNE 1996—continued**
(^{'000})

	Age group (years)						65 and over	Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64		
PERSONS								
Family member	1,107.7	964.5	2,214.0	2,400.4	1,973.2	1,243.2	1,319.1	11,222.2
Husband or wife with dependants	9.9	104.6	1,174.2	1,765.4	788.0	98.3	13.4	3,953.9
Employed	* 2.5	48.5	779.9	1,401.8	624.6	58.0	* 1.9	2,917.2
Not in the labour force	6.0	47.6	328.7	293.8	132.1	34.8	11.2	854.3
Husband or wife without dependants	16.6	169.3	542.2	333.5	986.8	1,047.5	1,125.4	4,221.3
Employed	9.1	145.3	491.6	275.3	712.9	460.8	90.5	2,185.4
Not in the labour force	* 3.3	14.6	34.3	44.0	240.4	558.0	1,032.6	1,927.2
Lone parent with dependants	9.7	41.3	145.7	172.3	84.2	12.1	* 3.1	468.4
Employed	* 2.0	10.7	52.4	99.2	50.4	4.4	* 0.2	219.3
Not in the labour force	6.8	24.8	80.0	60.6	26.1	7.3	* 2.6	208.2
Lone parent without dependants	* 0.1	* 0.0	* 0.3	18.9	57.0	45.1	78.6	200.0
Employed	* 0.1	* 0.0	* 0.3	13.6	37.4	14.3	* 3.0	68.7
Not in the labour force	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	3.6	15.8	28.9	75.6	123.8
Dependent student(b)	737.2	116.2	..	..	..	..	..	853.4
Employed	260.5	60.7	..	..	..	..	..	321.2
Not in the labour force	426.0	48.6	..	..	..	..	..	474.6
Non-dependent child(c)	296.5	475.6	291.3	87.9	36.5	13.3	3.6	1,204.8
Employed	224.0	407.5	232.9	60.0	21.1	4.7	* 0.3	950.5
Not in the labour force	19.9	27.3	32.5	18.9	13.3	8.2	* 3.3	123.3
Other family person	37.6	57.4	60.2	22.4	20.7	27.0	95.0	320.4
Employed	15.2	38.8	46.5	16.9	12.0	5.9	* 2.6	138.0
Not in the labour force	14.9	12.2	7.3	3.6	7.0	19.7	92.4	157.1
Non-family member	90.5	364.2	516.9	289.7	248.4	229.9	610.9	2,350.5
Lone person	8.3	73.8	206.7	195.6	202.8	198.7	575.6	1,461.6
Employed	4.7	55.2	175.5	151.5	138.7	73.3	23.4	622.5
Not in the labour force	* 1.9	8.9	14.9	27.4	47.6	115.7	551.8	768.3
Not living alone	82.2	290.4	310.1	94.1	45.7	31.1	35.3	888.9
Employed	44.5	220.4	263.9	78.8	32.6	12.8	* 1.1	654.1
Not in the labour force	21.3	43.0	28.0	9.4	10.2	16.9	34.2	163.0
Total	1,198.2	1,328.7	2,730.9	2,690.1	2,221.6	1,473.1	1,930.0	13,572.6
Employed	562.6	987.1	2,043.1	2,097.0	1,629.8	634.2	123.1	8,076.9
Not in the labour force	500.2	226.9	525.8	461.2	492.5	789.6	1,803.7	4,799.8

(a) Civilians who were residents of households where family status was determined. For further details see paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. Also excludes sons or daughters aged 15-24 who are classified as husbands, wives or lone parents. (c) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 27. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD OF EMPLOYED PERSONS: FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME WORKERS(a), AND WEEKLY HOURS WORKED, JUNE 1996 ('000)

	Full-time workers	Part-time workers				Total workers	Average weekly hours worked		
		Weekly hours worked			Total workers		By	By	Total
		0(b)	1-14	15-34			full-time workers	part-time workers	
MALES									
Family member	3,419.6	22.9	205.7	212.7	441.3	3,860.9	42.3	14.6	39.2
Husband	2,776.7	10.6	69.3	130.7	210.6	2,987.3	43.2	17.4	41.4
With dependants	1,676.8	* 2.7	29.0	61.2	92.9	1,769.7	43.6	18.6	42.3
Without dependants	1,100.0	7.8	40.3	69.5	117.6	1,217.6	42.5	16.6	40.0
Lone parent	56.3	* 0.4	* 2.6	3.8	6.8	63.1	42.4	15.6	39.5
With dependants	38.1	* 0.4	* 2.5	* 2.1	4.9	43.1	41.3	12.4	38.0
Without dependants	18.2	* 0.0	* 0.1	* 1.7	* 1.9	20.0	44.6	24.1	42.7
Dependent student(c)	5.3	7.8	102.3	24.4	134.5	139.8	30.6	8.6	9.4
Non-dependent child(d)	511.0	* 3.0	26.5	46.3	75.8	586.8	38.2	17.0	35.5
Other family person	70.3	* 1.2	5.0	7.4	13.7	84.0	40.1	15.3	36.1
Non-family member	654.2	7.2	30.1	49.6	86.9	741.1	41.5	15.9	38.5
Lone person	326.3	* 2.3	13.2	20.7	36.1	362.5	42.1	16.2	39.5
Not living alone	327.8	4.9	17.0	28.9	50.8	378.6	40.8	15.6	37.5
Total	4,073.8	30.1	235.9	262.3	528.2	4,602.0	42.2	14.8	39.0
FEMALES									
Family member	1,567.1	75.3	550.4	746.6	1,372.3	2,939.4	37.4	15.5	27.2
Wife	1,124.1	55.2	349.6	586.5	991.2	2,115.3	37.9	16.3	27.8
With dependants	494.2	30.5	234.5	388.3	653.4	1,147.6	37.8	16.1	25.4
Without dependants	629.9	24.7	115.0	198.1	337.9	967.8	38.0	16.6	30.5
Lone parent	124.8	4.7	38.1	57.3	100.1	224.9	37.0	16.1	27.7
With dependants	91.5	4.2	32.4	48.0	84.7	176.2	36.9	16.0	26.9
Without dependants	33.2	* 0.5	5.7	9.2	15.5	48.7	37.3	16.4	30.7
Dependent student(c)	* 1.8	10.8	135.6	33.3	179.6	181.4	27.2	9.0	9.2
Non-dependent child(d)	277.7	4.1	21.2	60.7	86.0	363.7	35.7	19.3	31.9
Other family person	38.7	* 0.5	6.0	8.9	15.3	54.0	35.6	16.5	30.2
Non-family member	397.6	5.9	50.7	81.4	138.0	535.6	37.7	17.3	32.5
Lone person	192.6	* 2.6	23.5	41.3	67.4	260.0	37.6	17.5	32.4
Not living alone	205.0	* 3.3	27.2	40.0	70.5	275.5	37.9	17.0	32.5
Total	1,964.6	81.2	601.1	828.0	1,510.3	3,475.0	37.4	15.7	28.0
PERSONS									
Family member	4,986.7	98.2	756.1	959.3	1,813.6	6,800.3	40.8	15.3	34.0
Husband or wife	3,900.8	65.8	418.8	717.2	1,201.8	5,102.6	41.6	16.5	35.7
With dependants	2,171.0	33.2	263.5	449.5	746.3	2,917.2	42.3	16.4	35.7
Without dependants	1,729.8	32.6	155.3	267.6	455.5	2,185.4	40.9	16.6	35.8
Lone parent	181.1	5.1	40.7	61.1	106.9	288.0	38.7	16.0	30.3
With dependants	129.7	4.6	34.9	50.1	89.6	219.3	38.2	15.8	29.0
Without dependants	51.4	* 0.5	5.9	11.0	17.3	68.7	39.9	17.2	34.2
Dependent student(c)	7.1	18.5	237.8	57.7	314.1	321.2	29.7	8.8	9.3
Non-dependent child(d)	788.7	7.1	47.7	107.0	161.8	950.5	37.4	18.2	34.1
Other family person	109.0	* 1.7	11.0	16.3	29.0	138.0	38.5	15.9	33.8
Non-family member	1,051.7	13.1	80.8	131.0	224.9	1,276.6	40.0	16.7	35.9
Lone person	518.9	4.9	36.6	62.1	103.6	622.5	40.4	17.1	36.5
Not living alone	532.8	8.2	44.2	68.9	121.3	654.1	39.7	16.4	35.4
Total	6,038.4	111.3	836.9	1,090.2	2,038.5	8,076.9	40.6	15.4	34.3

(a) Civilians who were residents of households where family status was determined. For further details see paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Persons who had a job in which they usually worked part time, i.e. less than 35 hours per week, but were not at work during the reference week. (c) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. Also excludes sons or daughters aged 15-24 who are classified as husbands, wives or lone parents. (d) Aged 15 and over.

**TABLE 28. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS(a):
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES AND PROPORTIONAL DISTRIBUTION, JUNE 1995 AND JUNE 1996**

	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>	<i>June 1995</i>	<i>June 1996</i>
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (per cent)						
Family member	7.8	7.6	7.1	7.4	7.5	7.5
Husband or wife	5.5	5.4	4.8	5.3	5.2	5.4
With dependants	5.9	5.7	5.9	6.1	5.9	5.9
Without dependants	4.9	5.0	3.4	4.4	4.2	4.7
Lone parent	12.2	9.6	15.8	15.6	15.1	14.4
With dependants	13.9	9.0	16.3	17.2	15.9	15.7
Without dependants	* 8.9	* 11.0	14.2	9.2	12.6	9.7
Dependent student(b)	18.8	17.0	13.8	13.8	15.9	15.2
Non-dependent child(c)	14.1	13.7	9.4	9.5	12.4	12.1
Other family person	18.3	17.1	14.2	12.9	16.7	15.5
Non-family member	11.3	11.2	9.2	8.4	10.4	10.0
Lone person	11.4	11.9	8.1	7.8	10.1	10.2
Not living alone	11.1	10.6	10.2	8.9	10.8	9.9
Total	8.4	8.2	7.4	7.6	8.0	7.9
PROPORTIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (per cent):						
Family member	77.8	77.2	82.1	82.9	79.5	79.5
Husband or wife	41.3	41.8	39.2	41.9	40.5	41.8
With dependants	26.6	26.3	27.2	26.1	26.8	26.2
Without dependants	14.6	15.5	12.1	15.8	13.6	15.6
Lone parent	2.0	1.6	15.4	14.6	7.3	7.0
With dependants	1.5	1.0	12.6	12.9	5.9	5.9
Without dependants	* 0.5	* 0.6	2.8	1.7	1.4	1.1
Dependent student(b)	7.0	7.0	10.9	10.2	8.6	8.3
Non-dependent child(c)	23.3	22.6	13.4	13.4	19.4	18.8
Other family person	4.2	4.2	3.1	2.8	3.8	3.6
Non-family member	22.2	22.8	17.9	17.1	20.5	20.5
Lone person	11.2	11.9	7.5	7.7	9.7	10.2
Not living alone	11.0	10.9	10.4	9.4	10.8	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Civilians who were residents of households where family status was determined. For further details see paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. Also excludes sons or daughters aged 15-24 who are classified as husbands, wives or lone parents. (c) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 29. PERSONS: RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS(a): DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, JUNE 1996

	Duration of unemployment (weeks)							Total	Average duration	Median duration
	Under 2	2 and under 4	4 and under 8	8 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 52	52 and over			
	— '000 —									— weeks —
MALES										
Family member	21.4	26.8	32.2	27.0	54.8	57.1	98.0	317.2	55.4	24
Husband	8.5	13.2	16.1	12.7	27.1	31.4	62.6	171.7	69.4	26
With dependants	5.4	7.7	10.7	9.1	16.5	22.5	36.1	107.9	62.5	26
Without dependants	* 3.2	5.5	5.4	3.6	10.6	9.0	26.5	63.8	81.1	28
Lone parent	* 0.1	* 0.1	* 0.4	* 0.5	* 0.4	* 1.9	* 3.4	6.7	82.2	* 52
With dependants	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.1	* 0.2	* 0.0	* 1.5	* 2.4	4.2	* 103.7	* 76
Without dependants	* 0.1	* 0.1	* 0.3	* 0.3	* 0.4	* 0.3	* 1.0	* 2.5	* 45.4	* 42
Dependent student(b)	5.9	* 3.1	* 3.2	3.5	5.2	4.9	* 2.8	28.6	19.0	10
Non-dependent child(c)	5.9	9.6	11.5	7.3	18.6	15.7	24.4	92.9	41.2	22
Other family person	* 1.0	* 0.8	* 1.1	* 2.9	3.6	* 3.3	4.7	17.3	42.5	23
Non-family member	4.3	7.1	10.8	7.3	19.7	17.3	27.3	93.7	52.3	24
Lone person	* 2.6	* 2.3	4.9	3.6	10.7	9.7	14.9	48.7	60.0	26
Not living alone	* 1.7	4.7	5.9	3.8	9.0	7.6	12.4	45.0	44.0	23
Total	25.7	33.8	42.9	34.3	74.6	74.4	125.2	410.9	54.7	24
FEMALES										
Family member	22.0	23.8	31.7	21.1	45.5	37.4	54.7	236.1	40.1	18
Wife	11.7	12.1	16.8	10.2	20.8	19.7	28.1	119.4	44.0	18
With dependants	7.9	7.6	9.0	5.5	14.8	12.8	16.8	74.5	41.7	19
Without dependants	3.8	4.5	7.8	4.7	6.0	6.9	11.3	44.9	47.9	15
Lone parent	4.2	4.4	4.1	4.9	6.4	4.6	13.1	41.6	48.8	21
With dependants	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2	6.2	4.0	10.3	36.7	40.2	20
Without dependants	* 0.3	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 0.7	* 0.1	* 0.6	* 2.8	4.9	* 113.1	* 52
Dependent student(b)	4.0	* 2.7	4.5	* 3.3	8.2	3.7	* 2.5	29.0	18.9	12
Non-dependent child(c)	* 2.1	4.1	5.2	* 2.7	7.0	8.3	8.7	38.1	35.4	22
Other family person	* 0.0	* 0.5	* 1.1	* 0.0	* 3.2	* 1.1	* 2.2	8.0	35.1	* 21
Non-family member	* 3.4	3.7	5.4	4.1	10.6	6.9	14.7	48.8	52.8	21
Lone person	* 1.1	* 1.0	* 2.0	* 1.4	4.4	* 2.5	9.7	22.1	64.4	32
Not living alone	* 2.3	* 2.7	3.5	* 2.7	6.2	4.4	5.0	26.8	43.2	16
Total	25.4	27.5	37.1	25.2	56.0	44.3	69.4	284.9	42.3	19
PERSONS										
Family member	43.3	50.6	63.8	48.1	100.3	94.6	152.6	553.3	48.9	22
Husband or wife	20.2	25.3	32.9	22.9	47.9	51.2	90.8	291.1	59.0	24
With dependants	13.3	15.2	19.8	14.6	31.3	35.3	52.9	182.4	54.0	24
Without dependants	6.9	10.0	13.2	8.3	16.6	15.9	37.8	108.7	67.4	24
Lone parent	4.3	4.5	4.4	5.4	6.8	6.5	16.6	48.4	53.5	23
With dependants	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.4	6.2	5.5	12.7	41.0	46.8	22
Without dependants	* 0.4	* 0.5	* 0.3	* 1.0	* 0.5	* 0.9	3.8	7.4	90.4	* 52
Dependent student(b)	9.9	5.8	7.7	6.9	13.4	8.6	5.3	57.6	18.9	11
Non-dependent child(c)	8.0	13.7	16.7	10.0	25.5	23.9	33.1	131.0	39.5	22
Other family person	* 1.0	* 1.3	* 2.1	* 2.9	6.7	4.4	6.9	25.3	40.1	23
Non-family member	7.7	10.7	16.2	11.4	30.3	24.2	42.0	142.5	52.5	23
Lone person	3.7	* 3.3	6.9	5.0	15.1	12.2	24.6	70.8	61.4	26
Not living alone	4.0	7.5	9.3	6.4	15.2	11.9	17.4	71.7	43.7	19
Total	51.0	61.3	80.0	59.5	130.6	118.7	194.6	695.8	49.6	22

(a) Civilians who were residents of households where family status was determined. For further details see paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. Also excludes sons or daughters aged 15-24 who are classified as husbands, wives or lone parents. (c) Aged 15 and over.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 In June 1996, details of the labour force status of family members and family composition were derived from the Labour Force Survey component of the Monthly Population Survey.

2 Tables 1 and 2 summarise the *relationship in household of persons* aged 15 and over. Tables 3 to 24 show information about *couple, one-parent and other families* — for example, number of dependants present, labour force status of husband, wife or family head — while tables 25 to 29 contain more detailed estimates of the *status of persons* aged 15 and over classified by age, weekly hours worked and other variables.

THE POPULATION SURVEY

3 The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (currently about 30,000 houses, flats, etc.) and a list sample of non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about one-half of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by specially trained interviewers. The interviews for this survey were conducted during the two weeks beginning on Monday 10 June 1996. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).

SCOPE

4 The Labour Force Survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except:

- members of the permanent defence forces;
- certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations
- overseas residents in Australia; and
- members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

COVERAGE

5 In the Labour Force Survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the one survey is considered to be negligible.

6 Persons who are away from their usual residence for six weeks or less at the time of interview are enumerated at their usual residence (relevant information may be obtained from other usual residents present at the time of the survey).

7 Because of the coverage rules, persons who usually live with other members of their family may, at the time of the survey, be enumerated as not living with all the usual members of their family. This situation is more likely for persons who are enumerated as visitors to other private dwellings or as persons staying in non-private dwellings (hotels, caravan parks, hospitals, etc.). The determination of family structure and family characteristics in such cases is most difficult. Thus for the family survey, scope was further restricted to usual residents of private dwellings and the following persons were excluded:

- all persons enumerated in non-private dwellings (including hotels, motels, hospitals and other institutions); and
- persons enumerated as visitors to (rather than usual residents of) private dwellings.

8 In addition, in those households where it was not possible to obtain information relating to all the usual residents, no family information was recorded. Thus persons living in households which include a member of the permanent defence forces, who is outside the scope of the population survey, are excluded from the family survey because family information could not be obtained from each usual resident. Similarly households which, at the time of the survey, have one or more of their usual residents away for more than six weeks, are excluded from the family survey. This also applies to households from which an incomplete or inadequate questionnaire was obtained for any usual resident in on scope and coverage. Table 1 summarises those persons for whom family information was obtained as well as those usual residents of private dwellings for whom complete family information could not be obtained, and those persons specifically excluded from the scope of the family survey.

POPULATION BENCHMARKS

9 Labour Force Survey estimates of persons employed, unemployed and not in the labour force are calculated in such a way as to add up to the independently estimated distribution of the usually resident population aged 15 and over by age and sex. This procedure compensates for under-enumeration in the survey, and leads to more reliable estimates. Persons who, at the time of interview, are overseas for more than six weeks but for less than 12 months are included in the independent population statistics (benchmarks) and are thus provided for in the calculation of the estimates. The benchmarks are the latest available estimates at the time the Labour Force Survey is conducted, but they usually differ from the official population estimates subsequently published in *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0) because they are derived from incomplete information about population changes.

REVISION OF POPULATION BENCHMARKS

10 Survey estimates are not revised for the usually small amendments of population benchmarks arising from new data on deaths and overseas and internal migration. Revisions are made, however, after each Census of Population and Housing, and when population estimation bases are reviewed. These revisions affect original, seasonally adjusted and trend estimates. The last such revision was made in February 1994 to take account of the results of the 1991 Census of Population and Housing, which affected all the monthly estimates from January 1989 to January 1994.

11 Population benchmarks used in the estimation of Labour Force Survey data are compiled according to place of usual residence. For an explanation of the conceptual basis of population estimates, see *Information Paper: Population Estimates: An Outline of The New Conceptual Basis of ABS Population Estimates* (3216.0). Prior to October 1982, labour force estimates were based on a combination of place of enumeration and place of usual residence.

CHANGES IN FAMILIES CLASSIFICATION

12 *Relationship in household* and *Family type* classifications were introduced in the March 1994 issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0) to align with ABS standards. Most categories in the two classifications remain comparable with categories in the previous classifications. The cases in which there are breaks in comparability are discussed in the following paragraphs.

13 *Relationship in household*. This classification was previously referred to as *Family status*.

- *Lone parents* (previously referred to as *Sole parents*) now includes parents with non-dependent children (provided those children are without a spouse or children of their own). These *Lone parents without dependants* are shown separately in Table 1 and there were 205,800 such persons in March 1994.

- *Dependent students* (previously *Full-time students aged 15-24*) now comprise sons or daughters (of a couple or a lone parent) aged 15 to 19 attending school or aged 15 to 24 attending a tertiary educational institution full time. Other related full-time students, who were also previously classified as *Full-time students aged 15-24* are now included in *Other family persons*. There were 24,200 such persons in March 1994.
- *Other family persons* now comprises the previous groups *Other family head*, excluding those now counted as *Lone parents* (79,200 persons in March 1994, the other related full-time students classified as *Full-time students aged 15-24* (see above; 24,200 in March 1994) and *Other relative of married couple or family head* (218,100 in March 1994).

14 Family type. This classification was previously referred to as *Type of family*. There are three types of families in the new classification, as follows:

- *Couple families* is the term used to describe families previously referred to as *Married-couple families*. Apart from the name change, the new category is otherwise exactly comparable with the old category.
- *One-parent families* now includes those families in which there is a lone parent with only non-dependent children present. Such families were previously included in *Other families*. There were 208,400 of these families in March 1994.
- *Other families* now excludes those families in which there is a lone parent with only non-dependent children present (see above).

COMPARABILITY OF SERIES

15 Estimates for the June 1996 survey are based on population estimates derived from the results of the 1991 Census of Population and Housing (adjusted for underenumeration). Estimates for surveys conducted in June from 1989 to 1993 were based on 1986 census results.

16 Commencing with the June 1989 issue, the category *other families* was split into *one-parent families* and *other families*. Therefore these estimates are not strictly comparable with estimates in issues prior to June 1989. However, in June 1988, 98 per cent of *other families with dependants* were *one-parent families*. For definitions of these terms refer to the Glossary.

17 Estimates of the number of husbands and wives with dependants in June 1988, as published in selected tables in the June 1989 issue of this publication, are slightly higher than those published in the June 1988 issue. The estimates of the number of husbands and wives without dependants are correspondingly lower. This is due to a small error made at the computer processing stage of the production of family status estimates in the June 1988 issue of this publication.

18 For the July 1982 and previous surveys office imputation was undertaken to determine the family status of those persons enumerated in private dwellings where family information could not be obtained for all usual residents, and for those persons enumerated in non-private dwellings or as visitors to private dwellings where family information could not be obtained for each member of the family. Due to the increased demand for family data on a consistent and more regular basis, it was decided to change the processing methodology to eliminate office imputation and rely solely on the reported information. Consequently the scope of the July 1983 and subsequent surveys was narrowed to exclude those three groups of respondents for whom it is known that complete family information is difficult to collect (see paragraphs 7 and 8).

19 Surveys from July 1983 onwards are thus not strictly comparable with previous surveys since the persons excluded may have differing family and labour force characteristics to those persons included in the survey. Because

of these exclusions the total number of persons with particular family characteristics will also differ between surveys conducted prior to July 1983 and those conducted from July 1983 onwards. Table 1 shows the number of persons excluded from the survey.

20 In the July 1985 and previous surveys, dependants (then described as dependent children) comprised all family members under 15 years of age and all family members aged 15 to 20 who were full-time students, except those classified as husbands, wives or other family heads. The current definition is given in the Glossary. Tables 24, 25 and 31 of the June 1986 issue of this publication provide an indication of the differences between the student component of the old and new definitions.

21 Since the July 1985 survey was conducted, the definition of employed persons has been extended to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. contributing family workers). This new definition aligns the Australian labour force concepts with a set of changed international definitions adopted by the International Labour Organisation at the 13th Conference of Labour Statisticians (ICLS) in October 1982.

22 Previously, such persons who worked 1 to 14 hours or who had such a job but were not at work were defined as either unemployed or not in the labour force, depending on whether they were actively looking for work. The changes in definition resulted in original (unadjusted) estimates of employment for March 1986 increasing by 34,900 and unemployment decreasing by 5,800.

23 Estimates of the number of families in June 1986 and subsequent years have been calculated differently to those for earlier years. This is due to the adoption of a new weighting procedure where the family weight is determined using an average of all family members responding to the Labour Force Survey. Previously, the family weight used to publish estimates of the number of families was determined by nomination of a proxy 'head of household' as representative of the family.

24 For these reasons, estimates for the June 1986 and subsequent surveys are not strictly comparable with those for earlier surveys. Although comparisons may generally be made, users should be aware of the above differences.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

25 Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. More information is given in the Technical Notes.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

26 Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) — issued monthly
Australian Social Trends, 1996 (4102.0)
Australia's Children, 1989 (4119.0)
Australia's Families — Selected Findings from the Survey of Families in Australia: 1992 survey results (4418.0)
Child Care, Australia, June 1993 (4402.0)
Women in Australia (4113.0)
Information Paper — Measuring Employment and Unemployment (6279.0)
Information Paper — Questionnaires used in the Labour Force Survey (6232.0)

27 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

28 In some cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published. This information is available on a number of media such as floppy disk, microfiche and customised reports. In general, a charge is made for providing unpublished information. Inquiries should be made to Don Clark on Canberra (06) 252 6018 or any ABS office.

ROUNDING

29 Where estimates have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See page 33 of the Technical Notes
- . . not applicable

TECHNICAL NOTES

ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

A new sample for the LFS was phased in over the period September to December 1992. For information about the sample design see *Information Paper: Labour Force Survey Sample Design* (6269.0).

Estimates of families and persons are derived from the population survey by use of a ratio estimation procedure, which ensures that estimates of persons conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex, rather than to the age and sex distribution within the sample itself.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The *sampling error* is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they, and the movements derived from them, are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the estimates that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the estimate that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Another measure of sampling variability is the *relative standard error* which is obtained by expressing the standard error as a percentage of the estimate to which it refers. The relative standard error is a useful measure in that it provides an immediate indication of the percentage errors likely to have occurred due to sampling, and thus avoids the need to refer also to the size of the estimate.

Space does not allow for the separate presentation of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. Standard errors of estimates should be determined by using Table A, if necessary in conjunction with the factors given on page 34 below.

The size of the standard error increases with the level of the estimate, so that the larger the estimate the larger is the standard error. However, it should be noted that the larger the sample estimate the smaller will be the standard error in percentage terms. Thus, larger sample estimates will be relatively more reliable than smaller estimates.

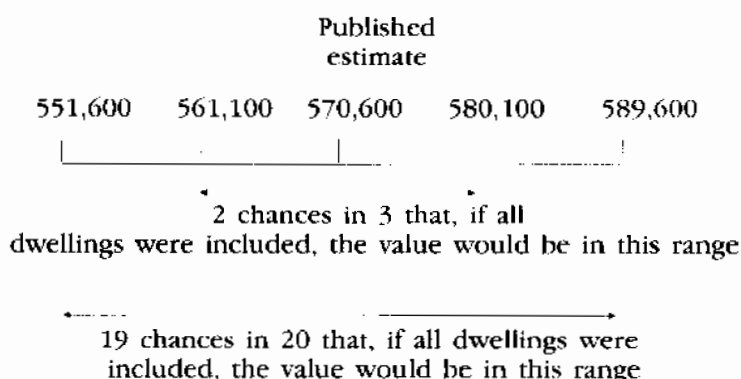
As the standard errors in Table A show, *the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error*. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high relative standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In the tables in this publication, only estimates with relative standard errors of 25 per cent or less, and percentages based on such estimates, are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. However, estimates and percentages with larger relative standard errors have been included and are preceded by an asterisk (e.g. *3.4) to indicate they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution. See page 34 concerning the derivation of relative standard errors for some estimates.

The annual movement in the level of an estimate is also subject to sampling variability. The standard error of the movement depends on the levels of the estimates from which the movement is obtained rather than the size of the movement. Standard errors of all annual movements can be obtained by multiplying the figures in Table A by 1.3. When using Table A to calculate

standard errors of annual movements, refer to the larger of the two estimates from which the movement is derived.

An example of the calculation and use of standard errors is given below:

- From Table A it will be seen that the estimate of 570,600 one parent families with a female parent in June 1996 has a standard error of about 9,500. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 561,100 to 580,100 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 551,600 to 589,600.



The relative standard errors of estimates of *average family size*, *average hours worked*, *average duration of unemployment* and *median duration of unemployment* are obtained by first finding the relative standard error of the estimate of the total number of persons or families contributing to the estimate (see Table A) and then multiplying the figure so obtained by the following relevant factors:

- Average family size: 0.3
- Average hours worked: 0.7
- Average duration of unemployment: 1.3; and
- Median duration of unemployment: 2.0

The levels at which these and other labour force estimates have a relative standard error of 25 per cent are shown in Table B.

An example of the calculation of standard errors by the use of these factors is as follows:

- In June 1996 the estimate of median duration of unemployment for husbands of couple families was 27 weeks and the number of families with the husband unemployed was estimated as 169,700. From Table A it can be calculated that this estimate has a standard error of about 5,800 and therefore a relative standard error of about 3.4 per cent. The *relative standard error* of the estimate of median duration of unemployment is calculated by multiplying this figure by the appropriate factor shown in the previous paragraph (in this case 2.0): $3.4 \times 2.0 = 6.8$ per cent. The *standard error* of this estimate of median duration of unemployment is therefore 6.8 per cent of 27, i.e. about 1.8. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the median duration of unemployment for unemployed husbands that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 25.2 to 28.8 weeks and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 23.4 to 30.6 weeks.

Proportions and percentages (for example, participation rates) formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling error. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion or percentage is given below:

$$\text{RSE } (x/y) = \sqrt{[\text{RSE } (x)]^2 + [\text{RSE } (y)]^2}$$

Standard errors contained in Table A are designed to provide an average standard error applicable for all monthly Labour Force Survey estimates. Analysis of the standard errors applicable to particular survey estimates has shown that the standard errors of estimates of employment are generally equivalent to those shown in Table A, while standard errors of estimates of unemployment and not in the labour force are approximately 3 per cent and 11 per cent higher respectively. Standard errors of estimates of numbers of families are approximately the same as those for numbers of persons. Standard errors of estimates of persons born in Australia are approximately the same as those shown in Table A. For aggregate estimates of persons born outside Australia the standard errors are about 14 per cent higher. The standard errors vary for individual countries of birth, but are on average about 7 per cent higher.

The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

A STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES FROM SEPTEMBER 1992

Size of estimate	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.	%
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
100						90	100	80		
200			210	180	200	130	140	120	190	95.0
300	320	290	260	220	250	160	170	140	240	80.0
500	420	380	340	290	310	210	210	180	320	64.0
700	500	450	400	340	370	240	250	210	390	55.7
1,000	590	540	480	400	440	290	290	240	480	48.0
1,500	720	670	590	490	530	350	350	290	590	39.3
2,000	830	770	680	560	610	400	400	330	690	34.5
2,500	930	860	750	620	670	440	440	360	780	31.2
3,000	1,000	940	820	670	730	470	480	390	860	28.7
4,000	1,150	1,100	940	770	830	530	540	440	990	24.8
5,000	1,300	1,200	1,050	850	920	580	600	490	1,100	22.0
7,000	1,500	1,400	1,200	980	1,050	660	700	560	1,300	18.6
10,000	1,750	1,650	1,400	1,150	1,250	750	830	640	1,600	16.0
15,000	2,100	2,000	1,700	1,350	1,500	870	1,000	760	1,900	12.7
20,000	2,400	2,250	1,950	1,550	1,650	960	1,150	840	2,200	11.0
30,000	2,850	2,700	2,300	1,800	1,950	1,100	1,400	990	2,650	8.8
50,000	3,550	3,300	2,850	2,250	2,450	1,250	1,750	1,200	3,400	6.8
70,000	4,100	3,800	3,250	2,550	2,800	1,400	2,050	1,350	3,950	5.6
100,000	4,750	4,400	3,750	2,900	3,200	1,550	2,450	1,550	4,600	4.6
150,000	5,600	5,200	4,400	3,400	3,750	1,700	2,950	1,750	5,500	3.7
200,000	6,200	5,800	4,950	3,750	4,150	1,800	3,400	1,950	6,200	3.1
300,000	7,300	6,700	5,800	4,350	4,850	1,950		2,250	7,300	2.4
500,000	8,800	8,100	7,000	5,200	5,800	2,200			9,000	1.8
1,000,000	11,300	10,400	8,900	6,600	7,400				11,800	1.2
2,000,000	14,300	13,100	11,300	8,200	9,400				15,200	0.8
5,000,000	19,300	17,600	15,300						21,000	0.4
10,000,000									26,500	0.3

B LEVELS AT WHICH LABOUR FORCE ESTIMATES HAVE A RELATIVE STANDARD ERROR OF 25 PER CENT(a) FROM SEPTEMBER 1992

Estimates(b) of—	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Average family size	400	350	260	180	220	100	100	80	300
Average hours worked	2,700	2,300	1,800	1,300	1,500	700	700	500	1,900
Average duration of unemployment	8,600	7,500	5,800	4,000	4,600	2,100	2,100	1,500	6,800
Median duration of unemployment	18,800	16,500	12,600	8,600	9,900	4,400	4,700	3,200	15,800
All other estimates	5,300	4,600	3,500	2,400	2,900	1,300	1,300	1,000	4,000

(a) See Technical Notes, page 33 (b) The entries in this table refer to the number of families or persons contributing to the estimate.

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<i>Title of survey</i>	<i>Product no.</i>
Alternative Working Arrangements, Australia. Irregular. Latest issue September to November 1986	6341.0
Annual and Long Service Leave Taken, Australia. May 1988 to April 1989	6317.0
Career Experience, Australia. Three-yearly. First issue February 1993	6254.0
Career Paths of Persons with Trade Qualifications, Australia. 1989	6243.0
Career Paths of Qualified Nurses, Australia. 1989	6277.0
Child Care, Australia. Irregular. Latest issue June 1993	4402.0
Employment Benefits, Australia. Two-yearly. Latest issue August 1994	6334.0.40.001
How Workers Get Their Training, Australia. 1989	6278.0
Income Distribution Survey, Australia. Persons with Earned Income, 1986, 1990	6546.0
Job Search Experience of Unemployed Persons, Australia. Annually. Latest issue July 1995	6222.0.40.001
Labour Force Experience, Australia. Two-yearly. Latest issue February 1995	6206.0.40.001
Labour Force Status and Educational Attainment, Australia. Annual, final issue February 1994	6235.0
Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia. Annual, latest issue June 1995	6224.0.40.001
Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Migrants, Australia. Three-yearly. Latest issue September 1993	6250.0
Labour Mobility, Australia. Two yearly. Latest issue February 1994	6209.0
Multiple Jobholding, Australia. Four-yearly. Latest issue August 1994	6216.0.40.001
Participation in Education, Australia. Annually. Latest issue September 1994	6272.0.40.001
Persons Employed at Home, Australia. Three-yearly. Latest issue September 1995	6275.0
Persons Not in the Labour Force, Australia. Annually. Latest issue September 1995	6220.0.40.001
Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force, Australia. Three-yearly. Latest issue July 1995	6264.0.40.001
Persons Who Have Left the Labour Force, Australia. Irregular. Latest issue September 1994	6267.0.40.001
Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia. Three-yearly. Latest issue November 1994	6238.0.40.001
Successful and Unsuccessful Job Search Experience, Australia. Two-yearly. Latest issue July 1994	6245.0
Superannuation, Australia. Three-yearly. Latest issue November 1995	6319.0
Trade Union Members, Australia. Two-yearly. Latest issue August 1994	6325.0.40.001
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Working Arrangements, Australia. Two-yearly. Latest issue August 1995	6342.0.40.001

SUPPLEMENTARY SURVEY PROGRAM FOR 1996

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Survey month</i>	<i>Release</i>
Job Search Experience of Unemployed Persons	July 1996	December 1996
Successful and Unsuccessful Job Search Experience	July 1996	December 1996
Employment Benefits (Core)	August 1996	February 1997
Trade Union Members	August 1996	February 1996

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GLOSSARY

Actively looking for work	Includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; answering a newspaper advertisement for a job; checking factory or Commonwealth Employment Service noticeboards; being registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service; checking or registering with any other employment agency; advertising or tendering for work; and contacting friends or relatives.
Aggregate hours worked	The total number of hours a group of employed persons has actually worked during the reference week, not necessarily hours paid for.
Average hours worked	Aggregate hours worked by a group divided by the number of persons in that group.
Average duration of unemployment	For any group of unemployed persons, the aggregate duration of unemployment divided by the number of persons in the group.
Average family size	For any group of families, the total number of family members divided by the number of families in the group.
Couple families	Families in which there are two married persons and these persons are husband and wife. See <i>Marital status</i> .
Dependants	All family members under 15 years of age; family members aged 15 to 19 attending school or aged 15 to 24 attending a tertiary educational institution full time (except those classified as husbands, wives or lone parents).
Dependent student	In couple or one parent families, sons or daughters aged 15 to 19 attending school or aged 15 to 24 attending a tertiary educational institution full time (except those classified as husbands, wives or lone parents).
Duration of unemployment	The period from the time a person began looking for work or was stood down, to the end of the reference week. Thus the survey measures current (and continuing) periods of unemployment rather than completed spells. For persons who may have begun looking for work while still employed, the duration of unemployment is defined as the period from the time the person last worked full time for two weeks or more to the end of the reference week.
Employed	Persons aged 15 and over who, during the reference week: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising employees, employers and self-employed persons); or▪ worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. contributing family workers); or▪ were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or▪ were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

Family	<p>Two or more related persons (<i>relationship</i> includes relationships by blood, marriage or adoption) usually resident in the same household at the time of the survey. A family comprises a married couple or a family head as defined, together with any persons having any of the following relationships to them:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ sons or daughters of any age, if not married and with no children of their own present; ▪ other relatives if not accompanied by a spouse, sons or daughters, or parents of their own; or ▪ any children under 15 years of age who do not have a parent present.
Family head	<p>Any person without a spouse present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ with a son or daughter aged under 15 present; or ▪ persons without a spouse present, without a son or daughter aged under 15 present, but with a son or daughter aged 15 or over present (provided that the son or daughter has no spouse, son or daughter of his/her own present); or ▪ where a family has no person falling into either of these categories, the family head is generally defined to be the eldest person in the family. <p>No family head is determined for a couple family.</p>
Full-time workers	Employed persons who usually worked 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs) and others who, although usually working less than 35 hours a week, worked 35 hours or more during the reference week.
Household	A group of one or more persons in a private dwelling who consider themselves to be separate from other persons (if any) in the dwelling, and who make regular provision to take meals separately from other persons, i.e. at different times or in different rooms. Lodgers who receive accommodation but not meals are treated as separate households. Boarders who receive both accommodation and meals are not treated as separate households. A household may consist of any number of families and non-family members.
Labour force	For any group, persons who were employed or unemployed, as defined.
Labour force status	A classification of the civilian population aged 15 and over into employed, unemployed or not in the labour force, as defined. The definitions conform closely to the international standard definitions adopted by the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians.
Lone parent	The head of a one parent family.
Lone person	A person who is the sole member of a household.
Main English-speaking countries	The United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, the United States of America, New Zealand and South Africa.
Marital status	Persons are classified as married (husband and wife) if they are reported as being married (including de facto) and their spouse was a usual resident of the household at the time of the survey. The not-married category comprises persons who have never married, or are separated, widowed or divorced, as well as those who, although reported as being married, did not have a spouse who usually lived in the household.

Median duration of unemployment	The duration which divides unemployed persons into two equal groups, one comprising persons whose duration of unemployment is above the median and the other, persons whose duration is below it.
Non-dependent child	In couple or one parent families, sons or daughters aged 15 and over not attending school or a tertiary institution full time (except those classified as husbands, wives or lone parents).
Non-family member	A person who is not related to any other member of the household in which they are living.
Not in the labour force	Persons who were not in the categories employed or unemployed, as defined. They include persons who were keeping house (unpaid), retired, voluntarily inactive, permanently unable to work, persons in institutions (hospitals, gaols, sanatoriums, etc.), trainee teachers, members of contemplative religious orders, and persons whose only activity during the reference week was jury service or unpaid voluntary work for a charitable organisation.
One parent families	Families in which there is a family head together with at least one son or daughter of his/her own.
Other countries	All countries outside Australia other than the main English-speaking countries defined previously.
Other families	Families which are not couple families or one parent families, as defined. They include families in which there is no parent, for example a family head living with a brother or sister.
Participation rate	For any group, the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.
Part-time workers	Employed persons who usually worked less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the reference week.
Unemployed	Persons aged 15 and over who were not employed during the reference week, and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and; ▪ were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week); or ▪ were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or ▪ were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.
Unemployed looking for full-time work	Unemployed persons who actively looked for full-time work or were to resume a full-time job, from which they had been stood down.
Unemployment rate	For any group, the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

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